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Check Given To Big Push Against Soochow

CHINESE DEFENDERS AT
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HALT JAPANESE
OFFENSIVEPUSHING
SOUTH IN
SHANSI

Nanking, To-day.

Chinese reports state that the Japanese forces in Shansi are pushing southward in three columns.

The main body is advancing along the highway from Taiyuanfu to Lingseng, the new seat of the Provincial Government, the right wing is attacking Fengwang and the left wing is going from Hoshan to Yeishai.—Reuter.

TSINANFU
NOW UNDER
JAPANESE GUNS

Tientsin, 1.45 p.m., To-day.

The menace of Japanese artillery, mounted on the hills north of the Yellow River, but overlooking and within range of Tsinanfu, are now menacing the Shantung capital, according to an official Japanese communique issue this morning.

No attempt has yet been made to shell the city.

The entire main body of the Chinese troops have now withdrawn across the Yellow River, following the destruction of the great railway bridge, and the Japanese so far have made no attempt to cross.

They have, however, put out a remarkable story of a force of 40,000 men of the 20th, 29th, and 31st Divisions of the Shantung Army, alleged to have been ordered to attempt to cut the Japanese communications, and to have moved towards Tehchow, having been encircled somewhere between Tsiyang and Pingyuan.

WALKED INTO TRAP

It is suggested that the Japanese intelligence were informed of the movement of the Chinese troops and that they walked into a trap.

The Chinese operation was supposed to have been ordered with a view to relieving the pressure on Tsinanfu.—Our Own Correspondent.

CITY AGAIN ROCKS
UNDER INTENSE
AIR RAID

Shanghai, 1.45 p.m., To-day.

Speculation is rife concerning developments in the Japanese drive against Soochow owing to the sudden refusal of the Japanese military spokesman to comment on the situation, beyond stating that the vanguards are feeling their way slowly owing to the difficulty of the terrain and the fact that they are operating in totally strange country.

Severe fighting is taking place at Weiting, according to usually reliable Chinese sources, which declare that the Chinese lines are holding firm against heavy pressure.

Japanese bombing squadrons are exceedingly active and Soochow has been subjected to another devastating rain of missiles, a large area having been almost completely destroyed.

Reports from the Hangchow Bay area show that General Chang Fat-kwei is still holding Kashing and that the Japanese attack on Pinghu has also been brought to a standstill.

It is admitted by the Japanese spokesman that the pace of the advance has been slowed down and that no progress has yet been achieved at Fushun, the other chief point of hostilities.

MASSED EFFORT

Troops coming into Shanghai are being rushed to the battle zones in relay after relay of heavy army trucks, which are having a rough journey over bad roads in rainy weather.—Our Own Correspondent.

BRITISH EMBASSY
AT HANKOW

Nanking, 2 p.m., To-day.

It is understood that the British Embassy in Nanking will probably be moved in the near future to Hankow.—Our Own Correspondent.

"IMPERIAL
HEADQUARTERS"

Tokyo, 1 p.m., To-day.

It is learned that at a special meeting of the Cabinet held this

morning, it was decided to proceed with the decision to establish "Imperial Headquarters," indicating a state of war, in Tokyo on Friday.—Our Own Correspondent.

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2. Never keep any article which you find without making an effort to locate the owner.

3. Never defraud anyone, not even a "soulless" corporation. Insist on paying your fare on a bus even if the conductor overlooks it.

4. Never permit children over five to ride on a Tube or a train without paying their fare, and never purchase half-fare tickets for children over twelve. It harms the child more than it helps your purse.

5. Never put a letter in a newspaper package without acknowledging it and paying full postage.

6. Never use your employer's postage stamps, telephone or time for private business without his knowledge and consent.

7. Never pass on counterfeit money—not even to a church collection plate!

8. Never falsify an expense account even when the amount spent is under the allowance.

9. Never fail to pay old accounts due to doctors, dentists and others for professional services, even if statements have stopped coming.

10. Never make a false report or statement even in support of a worthy cause, such as charity or church.

DO YOU NEVER LIE?

11. Never misrepresent goods you are selling even if your job depends upon it.

12. Never make a dishonest excuse for something you have forgotten or failed to do. Tell the truth and shame the devil.

13. Never do or speak anything dishonest even to shield a friend.

14. Never tell even a "white" lie—not even to quiet a child or comfort an invalid. If the truth won't do, keep silent.

15. Never do or say anything dishonest without expecting to face it sometime, somewhere. Every lie is a boomerang and hurts the teller more than anyone else.

16. Never conveniently forget to return to book or umbrella, or other small object borrowed. Go out of your way to return it promptly.

17. Never fail to remember a small promise made, even to a child, and fulfill it gallantly and promptly.

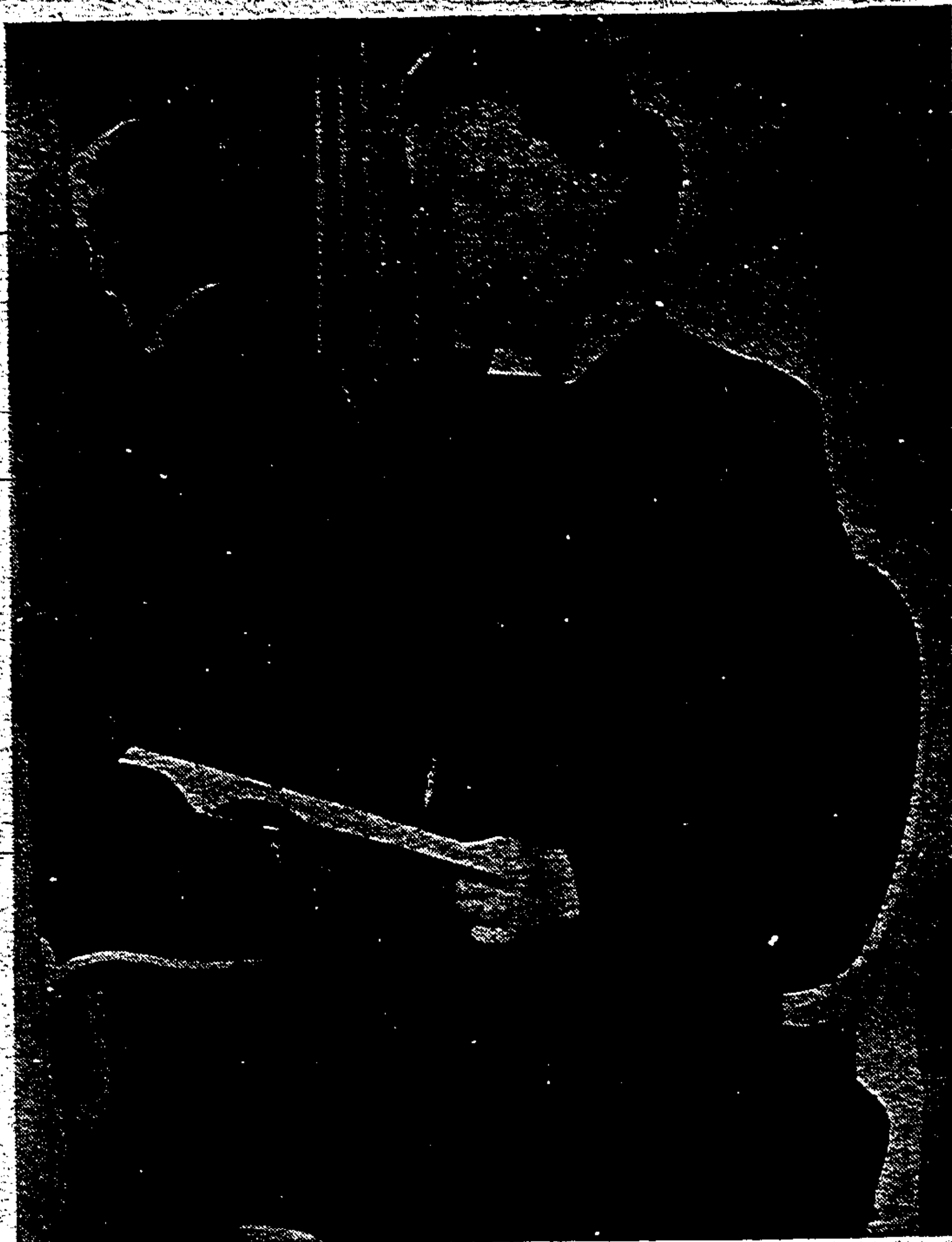
18. Never claim to have done things or been places or earned more than is the truth.

19. Never seize an opportunity that comes to you to do damage even by inference, to a person you dislike.

20. Never make or hold friendships on the basis of the practical exploiting use you can make of them.

* * *

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Ignace Paderewski:
Light Concert

12.12.20 p.m.—Relay of Special Service from St. John's Cathedral.
12.30 p.m.—Paul Robeson (Bass) Negro Spirituals.
Negro Spiritual Medley
Paul Robeson with Male Chorus and Jack Hylton & His Orch.
12.38 p.m.—Musical Comedy Selection.
1 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Marek Weber & His Orchestra.
Faust—Selection
(Gounod, arr. Weber).
Village Swallows From Austria—Waltz (Strauss).
Fantasia On The Song 'Long, Long Ago' (Ditrich).
The Czardas (Carné).
Tales From The Vienna Woods—Waltz (Strauss).
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press.
Local Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—Variety.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
4.7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
7.11 p.m.—European Programme.
7 p.m.—Dance Music.
7.10 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quotations and Hong Kong Exchange Market Report.
7.15 p.m.—London Relay—The Microphone at Large. Rockingham. Described by S.P.B. Mais. The programme arranged by David Gretton.
7.45 p.m.—Dance Music.
8 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather

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Report and Announcements.
8.45 p.m.—Variety.
8.25 p.m.—Richard Tauber (Tenor).
Many a Joyous Night
(Rossini in Naples—Rossini).
Fear Nothing (Operetta 'Paganini'—Franz Lehar).
The Old Tree (Napier-Tauber).
8.35 p.m.—De Groot & His Orchestra.
9 p.m.—London Relay—World Affairs.
A talk by the Rt. Hon. Sir Malcolm Robertson, G.C.M.G., K.B.E.
9.15 p.m.—Military Band Music.
Air Varié Sur Un Theme Suisse (Mohr).
Garde Republicaine Band of France.
Liberty Bell—March (Souza).
Hiawatha—March (Moret).
The Band of H.M. Coldstream Guards.
9.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
9.50 p.m.—Chopin.
Prelude in C Minor, Op. 28, No. 20; Mazurka in A Minor, Op. 68 No. 2 (Posth).
John Hunt (Piano).
Polonaise in A Flat Major
Ignace Jan Paderewski (Piano).
10 p.m.—Mendelssohn—Symphony No. 4 (Italian) in A Major.
Played by The Halle Orchestra conducted by Sir Hamilton Harty.

10.25 p.m.—Songs by Gerhard Husch (Baritone) out of Schubert's 'Winterreise'.
Die Post; Der Greise Kopf.
Die Krähe; Letzte Hoffnung.
10.33 p.m.—A Light Concert.
Berceuse Slave (Neruda).
Le Saule (Hahn).
Maurice Dambois (Violoncello).
Les Sirenes, Valse
(d'Amour & Waldteufel).
Dolores, Valse
(d'Amour & Waldteufel).
Ninon Vallin (Soprano).
Danza Espanola
(de Falla, arr. Kreisler).
Waltz in A Flat Major (Brahms).
Isolde Menges (Violin).
There's A Biddle Hanging On The Wall (Carson Robinson).
Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone).
The Skaters—Waltz (Gungl).
Marek Weber & His Orch.
11 p.m.—Close down.

ments—7. A talk by the Hon. Harold Nicolson, C.M.G., M.P.
10.30 a.m.—Close down.

TRANSMISSION 2

Frequencies—

GSJ 21.53 Mc/s (13.93 m.)
GSH 21.47 Mc/s (13.97 m.)
GSG 17.79 Mc/s (16.86 m.)
GSJ 15.18 Mc/s (19.76 m.)

10.45 a.m.—Big Ben. Beethoven String Quartets.
11.15 a.m.—The Microphone at Large. Rockingham. Described by S. P. B. Mais.
11.45 a.m.—Light Orchestral Music.
12.00 p.m.—Merry-go-round. A revue.
1.00 p.m.—World Affairs. A talk by the Rt. Hon. Sir Malcolm Robertson, G.C.M.G., K.B.E.
1.15 p.m.—Pianoforte Recital by Irene Crowther.
1.30 p.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 1.45 p.m.
1.55 p.m.—Close down.

BROADCAST FROM DAVENTRY

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G.M.T.

8.15 a.m.—Big Ben. G. T. Pattman, at the BBC Theatre Organ.
8.40 a.m.—World Affairs. A talk by the Rt. Hon. Sir Malcolm Robertson, G.C.M.G., K.B.E.
8.55 a.m.—The Symphonies of Beethoven—6. Symphony No. 6 in F (The Pastoral).
9.35 a.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 9.45 a.m.
9.55 a.m.—'African Harmonies' by Fela Sowande and Partner at two Pianos.
10.15 a.m.—Green Fields and Pave-

TRANSMISSION 3

Frequencies—

GSH 21.47 Mc/s (13.97 m.)
GSG 17.79 Mc/s (16.86 m.)
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GSJ (to 3.30 p.m.) 21.53 Mc/s

2.15 p.m.—Big Ben. The Symphonies of Beethoven—6. Symphony No. 6 in F (The Pastoral). Op. 68.
3.00 p.m.—Palace of Varieties.
4.00 p.m.—The News and Announcements. Greenwich Time Signal at 4.15 p.m.
4.20 p.m.—Matters of Moment.
4.35 p.m.—Music by Arthur Sullivan and Edward German.
5.00 p.m.—Close down.

BERLIN BROADCAST

On stations DJA 31.38 m, DJB 19.74 m, DJE 16.89 m, DJN 31.45 m, DJQ 19.63 m.
H.K.T.

3.00 p.m.—News and economic review.
5.45 p.m.—Press Review.
8.30 p.m.—News and economic review.
10.15 p.m.—To-day in Germany.

BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

Pre-emptive Psychics

I often have commented on the good features and good influence of duplicate bridge. But it is a regrettable fact that there are items on the other side of the ledger. In rubber bridge one atrociously bid hand may create a swing that will dominate the session's score. At duplicate bridge, with the potential loss on any hand limited to one zero, players of a certain type are too easily tempted into "experimental practices." I refer to a bid such as that made by South in to-day's hand.

South, dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH

S—K Q 9 6 3
H—A 4
D—A 8 7 3
C—10 9

WEST

S—A 8 2
H—Q 9 3
D—10 6 5 2
C—Q J 4

EAST

S—10 7 5 4
H—K J 6 2
D—K Q J 4
C—A

SOUTH

S—J
H—10 8 7 5
D—9
C—K 8 7 6 5 3 2

The bidding, match point duplicate game:

South	West	North	East
3 clubs	Pass	3 spades	Pass
4 clubs	Pass	4 no trump	Pass
5 clubs	Double	Pass	Pass

South's horrible opening bid is the type that was prevalent in duplicate games not many years ago. This idea of making pre-emptive psychics was thoroughly investigated by eastern experts, dropped hastily from many a burned finger.

Although there is some merit in an occasional psychic bid at a low level, the basic structure of contract is such that no great liberty can be taken at the eight, nine, and ten trick levels. There is a close analogy here to the sophistry that leads players to pass certain minimum hands originally, only to come in at a more dangerous level with a secondary bid.

Thus, when South opened this hand with three clubs it did not matter what his object was, nor how transcendental was his psychology. The unvarnished fact remained that he was contracting for nine tricks with a hand that could produce, on the most liberal estimate, about five tricks. The further fact that he gave his partner a problem impossible of solution was of secondary importance.

It is true that North-South were not using the two-way three-bid and that, therefore, North did not count on a solid, or almost solid, club suit with seven sure winners in the South hand. But, since the bid had been made when vulnerable, North would have had to be clairvoyant to visualise a hand as bad as South actually held.

South might have saved something from the wreck by passing to three spades [at least as long as it was undoubted], but of course it was hardly to be expected that a player who would make such an opening bid then would make an intelligent pass!

The point is that, from the three club bid on, complete chaos reigned in the place of orderly exchange of information.

To-day's Question

Question: What is the correct response to an opening two diamond bid with the following hand?

S. A K Q H. 9 7 4 2
D. 10 9 3 C. K 7 4

Answer: Four no trump. This response usually should be avoided, but in this case there is no other response available.

What's On At the Cinemas

AT THE ORIENTAL—"Nobody's Famous" London Hippodrome musical comedy. Worth seeing again.

AT THE KING'S—"Lawyer Man"—William Powell, Joan Blondell, Helen Vinson, Alan Dinehart, Allen Jenkins and Sheila Terry. The merry tale of a lawyer who took his cases to the court of sex appeal.

AT THE QUEEN'S—"Bulldog Drummond Comes Back", with John Barrymore, John Howard and Louise Campbell. An adventure mystery that starts excitingly from the first clue through a series of situations alternately romantic, funny, dangerous and sinister. The plot is wound round the kidnapping of Drummond's fiancée by a female out to get even with Drummond for convicting her lover on a murder charge.

AT THE STAR—"That's a Good Girl", with John Buchanan and Elsie Randolph. The film version of the return of an old favourite.



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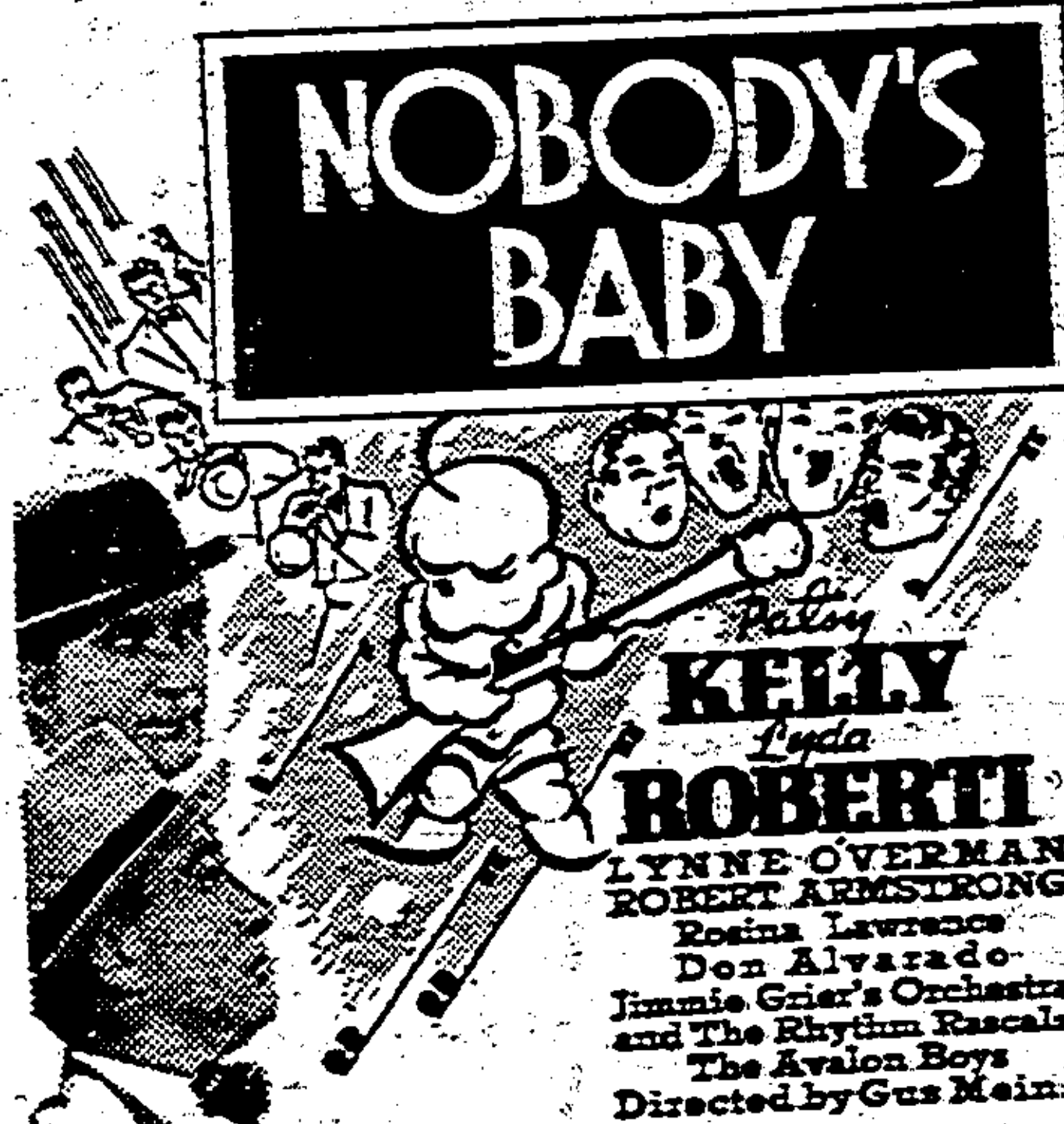
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CAUTION URGED ON HALIFAX'S BERLIN TRIP

London, To-day.

Yesterday's British newspapers express gratification at the expediting of Lord Halifax's visit to Berlin.

The "Daily Telegraph" is particularly vigorous in criticism of irresponsible rumour-mongers.

The paper speaks of the "vicious intent" of untimely reports in connection with the visit, and declares that rumours will only jeopardise the atmosphere of understanding which is essential for success of the Berlin talks.

"SCOOPS"

The paper demands the strictest reserve in comments on the Berlin parleys, and bemoans the possibility of "European tension being destroyed merely for the sake of a few newspaper scoops."

The paper says the Berlin talks should be followed by a visit to Rome, though the time is not yet ripe for such a decision. Following the Berlin talks, Germany and Italy, and France and Britain, should first discuss the new situation.—Trans-Ocean.

YAMAGISHI BEATS HENKEL

Osaka, To-day.

Baron von Cramm and Yamagishi yesterday afternoon reached the final of the men's singles in the Japanese National Championship.

Von Cramm defeated Kuramitsu, 6-2, 6-4, 6-1.

Yamagishi beat Henkel, 6-4, 4-6, 6-3, 6-3.

—Our Own Correspondent.

MEDICAL RELIEF COUNCIL

A cable was received by the International Medical Relief Council in Hong Kong this morning, announcing that Madame Chiang Kai-shek had become patroness of the Council.

JAPANESE WAR OFFICE PEACE FEELER

Berlin, To-day.

"The Japanese army is ready to open negotiations with General Chiang Kai-shek as soon as he shows his willingness," declared a spokesman of the Japanese War Office in Tokyo yesterday to the Far Eastern correspondent of the "Berliner Tageblatt."

The spokesman spoke optimistically on the present military situation.

He admitted that the fighting spirit of the Chinese troops has vastly improved since 1932, but added: "Its leadership is inadequate for conduct of guerilla warfare on a large scale."

Asked regarding the possibilities of terminating the conflict, the spokesman said that the Japanese army wanted it to be still understood that it was prepared to talk peace, yet would have to take prolongation of the war into account.

DESIRE FOR PEACE

He believed that a desire for peace was growing in circles close to General Chiang Kai-shek, and "as the Generalissimo personally enjoys the esteem of the Japanese army, we would be glad to negotiate with him directly."

His resignation, added the spokesman, had never been demanded by the Japanese army, which does not believe in the increase in Communist influence in Nanking.—Trans-Ocean.

NEW OLD STORY OF ATTEMPT ON STALIN

Warsaw, To-day.

The Warsaw papers yesterday raked up the old, old story of an attempt on the life of Stalin, this time, they allege, by the Russian Dictator's personal photographer.

The photographer, whose name is Nissen, was the only man allowed to approach Stalin with a camera, and, according to the papers here, concealed in his camera an "infernal machine powerful enough to blow Stalin to pieces while taking his photograph."

However, "the plot was discovered just in time."—Trans-Ocean.

FREIGHTER HITS MINE

Salamanca, To-day.

A Spanish Republican freighter yesterday struck a mine while on the way from Valencia to Alicante, says a report here.

The vessel's engines were disabled and she is now at the mercy of the waves.—Trans-Ocean.

FAIR WEATHER

The Royal Observatory reported this morning that the anticyclone has moved eastward to the Sea of Japan; the typhoon is situated about 300 miles S. E. of Manila, moving W. N. W.

Local forecast:—N. E. winds, moderate, fair.

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LONDON TO CAPE TOWN IN UNDER TWO DAYS

Johannesburg, To-day.
FLYING Officer Clouston and Mrs. Betty Kirby Green arrived here at 2.08 yesterday afternoon from Croydon in the record time of 40 hours 13 minutes.

ITALY'S VICEROY IN ABYSSINIA

Rome, To-day.
The Duke d'Aosta will replace Marshal Graziani as Viceroy of Abyssinia almost immediately, it is believed in Italian political circles.—Trans-Ocean.

GERMAN ACTION AGAINST HAVAS NEWS AGENCY

Berlin, To-day.
Following the expulsion order against M. Ravoux, chief correspondent in Germany of Havas, the French news agency, the authorities yesterday disconnected all telephones in the Havas office, but restored them 90 minutes later.

Meanwhile the French Ambassador protected to the Foreign Minister, Baron von Neurath, against the expulsion, and requested extension of the three-day time limit which had been given M. Ravoux to leave Germany.

This time limit as a result was subsequently extended by seven days.—Reuter.

Berlin, To-day.
M. Paul Ravoux, the Havas correspondent, will now have to leave Germany within ten days, as a result of representations made to Baron von Neurath, the Foreign Minister, by M. Francois Poncet, the French Ambassador.—Trans-Ocean.

R.A.O.B. PARADE AT CATHEDRAL

There will be a parade of members of the R.A.O.B. on Sunday next at St. John's Cathedral for the memorial service to Rifleman Delaney, who was killed recently in Shanghai, and those members of the order who fell during the Great War.

The service, which commences at 2.30 p.m., will be conducted by Rev. H. W. Baines and the preacher will be the Assistant Chaplain General of the Forces, Rev. Farren.

The Last Post will be sounded by a bugler from the Royal Ulster Rifles, while the Pipe Band of the 1st Bn. London Rifles will be in attendance.

R.A.O.B. members will meet at their Club at 1.50 p.m., and it is requested that all members communicate with Mr. Smith, at the R.A.O.B. Club in Ice House Street, signifying whether they will attend the Parade or whether they desire to reserve seats in the Cathedral.

They took off for Capetown at 2.37 without leaving their machine, and arrived at Capetown at 6.55 p.m. (G.M.T.).

The two fliers have thus fulfilled the first part of their aim to break the each-way Cape flight record.

Flying the same D. H. Comet used by Scott and the late Campbell Black in their record Mildenhall-Melbourne flight, they hope to be back at Croydon by Saturday night.—Reuter.

SETTLEMENT SAFE FROM INTERFERENCE

Shanghai, To-day.
Well-informed circles now believe that the Japanese, in spite of General Matsui's declaration, will not interfere with the foreign administration of Shanghai.

Although General Matsui had declared that the Japanese would, if necessary, act directly in the Settlement, the authorities there have received only one inquiry from Japanese diplomatic quarters, demanding dissolution of anti-Japanese organisations.

Since these organisations have moved to Nanking, no such organisations remain to be dissolved.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The Chinese Chamber of Commerce and similar bodies are continuing their normal work.

They will remain under the protection of the foreign authorities.

The Mayor of Greater Shanghai, Mr. O. K. Yui, is still in the foreign areas though the Chinese administration has ceased to function. Mr. T. V. Soong has also not left Shanghai.

General Yang Hu, commander of the Shanghai-Woosung garrison area, left for Nanking a few days ago.—Trans-Ocean.

PALESTINE POST NOT POPULAR

London, To-day.
A new High Commissioner in Palestine, to succeed Sir Arthur Wauchope, who is retiring owing to ill health, has not yet been appointed.

It is understood that the post was offered to Sir John Anderson, former Governor of Bengal, who declined.

Several military applications have been received but there is little doubt that a civilian will be appointed.—Reuter.

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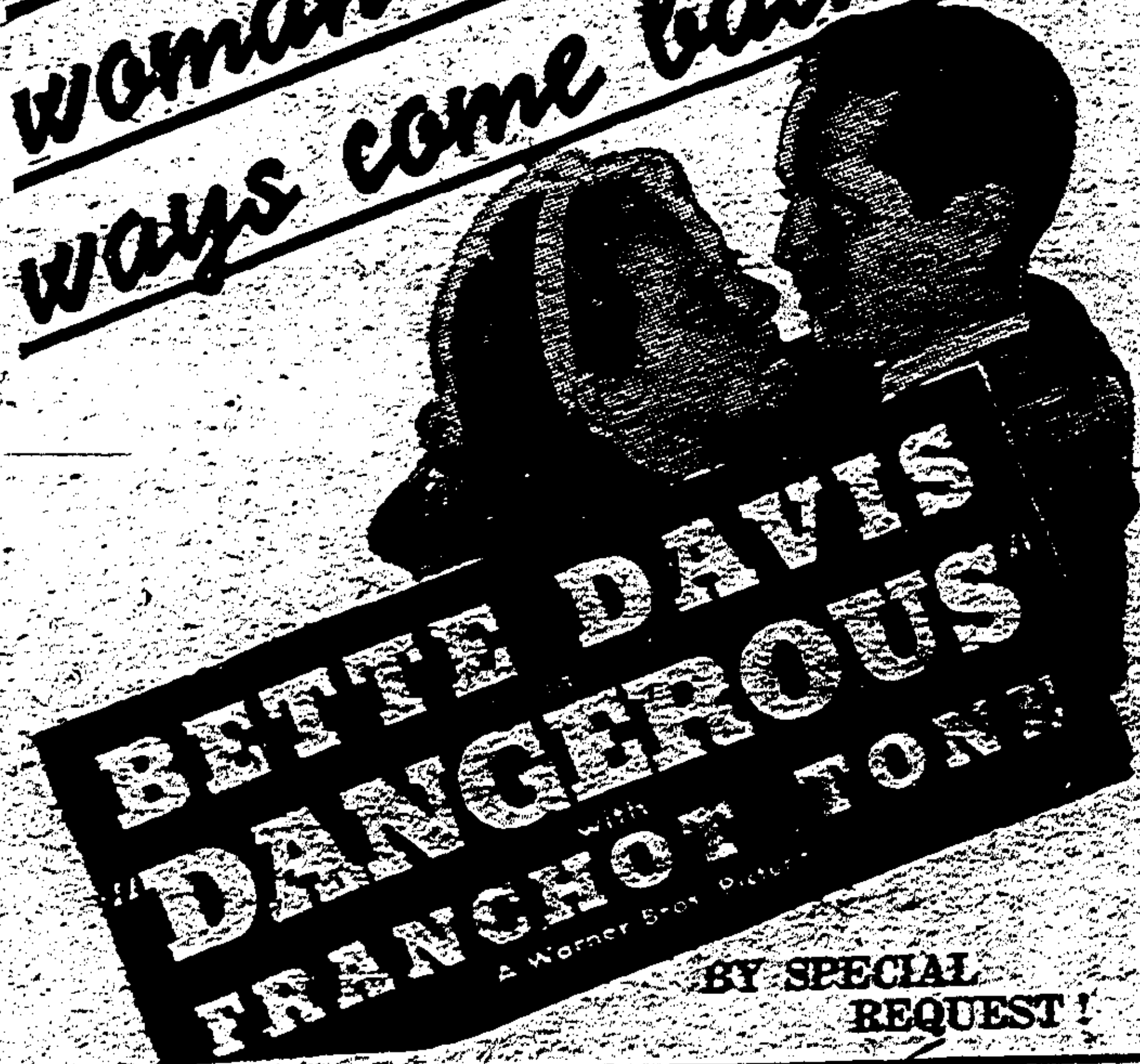
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L.O.N. SOCIETIES DEMAND AID FOR CHINA

Brussels, To-day.

THE chairman of the International Union of League of Nations Societies has addressed a letter to M. Paul Spaak, President of the Brussels Conference, calling upon the Conference to enter upon the second part of its mission.

M.P. INJURED IN EXPRESS CRASH

London, To-day.

Two express trains were involved in a railway crash when the Royal Highlander, the express from Perth to London crashed into the Royal Scot in the early hours of yesterday morning.

The night Scot, on its regular run from Glasgow to London, had been halted just before reaching Crewe station, and the Royal Highlander crashed into it, badly damaging the rear coach.

Twelve were injured, including Mr. Duncan Graham, Labour Member of Parliament for Hamilton.—Trans-Ocean.

CHIANG TO CONCENTRATE ON THE WAR

Shanghai, To-day.

General Chiang Kai-shek will shortly resign his post as President of the Executive Yuan, says the newspaper "Ta Wan Pao."

The step will be taken, owing to the Generalissimo's desire to be occupied only with military affairs. The Finance Minister, Dr. H. H. Kung, will probably succeed him as

This has become necessary, declares the letter, in view of Japanese refusal to agree to proposals for mediation.

Financial and other support for China, in accordance with the League rules, is suggested in the letter, which concludes with an appeal for effective material assistance for the victim of aggression.—Trans-Ocean.

PARIS AND THREE-POWER UNITY

Paris, To-day.

Quarters close to the Quai d'Orsay express gratification that Brussels has shown France, Britain and United States in complete accord.

Decisive factor in developments of the next few days, it is thought, will be whether this accord will lead to launching of joint diplomatic action for mediation between China and Japan.

Whether such a step will be taken by the three Powers will largely depend on the outcome of the talks of Lord Halifax in Berlin.

Both the Quai d'Orsay and Downing Street, it is considered, would like to collect more information on possible rapprochement with Italy and Germany.—Trans-Ocean.

President of the Executive Council. The Generalissimo's withdrawal, says the paper, is entirely without political significance.—Trans-Ocean.

JAPAN RAVES AGAINST BRUSSELS

Brussels, To-day.

A statement emanating from Japanese quarters regarding the Far East Conference's declaration, declares:

"It is most regrettable that the Powers at Brussels are unable to take advantage of the Japanese reply to the communication from the Conference, by which Japan carefully opened the way for their good offices which as a result of the declaration, is closed for ever."—Reuter.

Tokyo, To-day.

The declaration adopted by the Brussels Conference has caused vigorous repercussion in the Japanese newspapers, which resent the "utter disregard by the Conference for Japan's contention that the Sino-Japanese question must be settled directly between the two countries."

VEILED THREAT

The newspapers are also indignant over the "veiled threat" in the resolution that joint action will be taken against Japan by the participating Powers in the Conference.

The newspapers now emphasise a hands-off policy towards China and Japan's denunciation of the Nine-Power Pact, which the "Kokumin Shimbun" points out is "entirely detached from realities and is therefore a dead letter."

This paper further declares that Japan should propose "drastic revision of the Pact or denounce it."

DREAMING INTERVENTION

The "Asahi Shimbun" says that China is dreaming of intervention by a third party, which tendency is now utilised by the foreign Powers.

The paper declares: "No course is left to Japan but to start an energetic drive on Nanking."

The paper also says that it is "no concern to Japan whether the Nanking administration transfers the seat of Government to the hinterland, where it becomes a local administration, or whether it becomes the agent of the Comintern."

"OLD CRAFTY POWER"

The "Asahi Shimbun" declares that Japan is prepared to meet any situation which fact must be fully understood by China, and also by an "old-crafty Power" which instigates and preys on China.

The "Hochi Shimbun" argues in similar vein, and declares: "One of the most important ways to solve the question consists of a demand to Britain to pursue a hands-off policy towards China, which believes that Britain is her only hope."

The paper says: "At least Japan must convince the Powers concerned that Japan will never abandon action in China unless the guiding principle of her policy is realised."—Reuter.

HANGCHOW BAY REINFORCEMENTS

Shanghai, To-day.

Chinese despatches state that the Japanese landed thousands of additional troops in Hangchow Bay yesterday evening.—Our Own Correspondent.

MARLENE TO SETTLE IN FRANCE

Paris, To-day.

The famous film star, Marlene Dietrich, who is about to return to Hollywood from Paris, intends definitely to settle in France next Spring, says the newspaper "Le Jour."

The paper adds that she will play in a number of films to be shot in France.—Trans-Ocean.

LORD HALIFAX LEAVES FOR GERMANY

London, To-day.

The Lord President of the Council, Lord Halifax, had a final talk with the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, before leaving for Berlin yesterday.

Lord Halifax was seen off at Victoria Station by the German Ambassador, Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, announced in the House of Commons yesterday that the results of the Hitler-Halifax talks would be given in a public statement, while Italy and France would be kept informed of the talks.—Reuter.

GERMAN FLIGHT TO JAVA

Berlin, To-day.

The German airman, Haerle, who on Sunday hopped off on a flight via Istanbul and Basra to India, intends to extend his flight to Batavia and Sourabaya.

He will thus enter for the Hindenburg Cup, awarded annually for the best achievement by an amateur pilot.—Trans-Ocean.

MR. MALCOLM MACDONALD IN LONDON

London, To-day.

The Dominions Secretary, Mr. Malcolm Macdonald, and other members of the British delegation to the Brussels Conference, returned here yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Macdonald, however, will return to Brussels for the next session of the Conference.—Trans-Ocean.

PLANES OVER HAINAN

Canton, To-day.

Several Japanese planes flew over Hainan Island yesterday, according to reports from Hoihow last night. No bombs were, however, dropped.—Our Own Correspondent.

Franco-Syrian Treaty

Damascus, To-day.

The Syrian Premier announced in Parliament yesterday that he will travel to Paris at the end of November to conduct negotiations for ratification of the Franco-Syrian Treaty.—Trans-Ocean.

JAPAN STAKING ALL ON QUICK VICTORY

Stream Of New Troops Pour Into Shanghai

SEVERE FIGHTING TO THE EAST OF SOOCHOW

NANKING PREPARING FIGHT TO FINISH

Shanghai, To-day.

An unceasing stream of Japanese reinforcements is pouring into the Shanghai area where the Japanese are now estimated to have more than 250,000 troops.

This, and the determination with which they are pressing the drive towards Soochow, which will be the diving off board for Nanking, shows that the Japanese are fighting for a quick end. With the Japanese already at the Yellow River, Nanking will be soon confronted with a new danger — attack from the north as well as the south.

The Government is fully alive to the gravity of the situation, and has decided to transfer its offices from Nanking, but all military bureaux will remain in Nanking, which the High Command is determined to defend to the very last.

The fortifications around the city are being strengthened and other preparations being made for what may be the severest battle of the whole war.

CONTINUOUS RAIN

Meanwhile, in spite of continuous rain, the Japanese pressure has not slackened down and fierce fighting is now raging in the lake area east of Soochow, while Changshu is being pounded by artillery, with fresh Japanese troops, who landed yesterday on the south bank of the Yangtse, above Changshu, joining in the attack.

TERRIBLE TOLL

Colonel de Watteville, representative of the International Red Cross of Geneva, estimates that since the beginning of hostilities, China has suffered 800,000 casualties on all fronts.

He has announced that the Japanese authorities have undertaken not to interfere with the import of medical supplies. — Reuter.

SHANTUNG FRONT

Peiping, To-day.

Japanese reports from the Yellow River front on the Tsinpu Line state that the Chinese have retreated hastily across the river.

The whole of the north bank and many miles each side of the Tientsin-Pukow trunk railway is in Japanese possession. — Reuter.

GUNS AUDIBLE IN TSINAN

Tsinanfu, To-day.

The roar of heavy artillery could be heard almost all night coming from the banks of the Yellow River, where the Japanese are heavily shelling the Chinese, who admit that a portion of their main

army have withdrawn to the south bank.

Most of the bridges, including the main bridge leading to Tsinan, have been blown up by Chinese sappers.

Once again high tension reigns in all quarters in the town. Hundreds of wounded are pouring into the hospitals here from the front.

EXODUS BEGINS

Hundreds are leaving the city for places south of Tsinanfu along the Tsin-Pu Line, while others are making their way to Tsingtao.

Owing to rain yesterday afternoon, no planes visited the city during the night, but early this morning two Japanese bombers rained several bombs on the outskirts of the city.

The fall of Tsinanfu is predicted if the Japanese secure a foothold on the south bank of the River. — Our Own Correspondent.

STILL ON NORTH BANK

Tokyo, To-day.

Further rapid advance of the Japanese troops in Shantung is reported.

It is stated that they are continuing their march along the north bank of the Yellow River, and have occupied Chiaoshan, only eight miles north of Tsinanfu, the provincial capital.

Other Japanese detachments have occupied Lanyi and Shanghai, as well as Ancheng, on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway.

The Japanese air force is extremely active in bombing Chinese positions south of the Yellow River. — Trans-Ocean.

JAPAN MAY DENOUNCE 9-POWER PACT

Tokyo, To-day.

A resolution that Japan withdraw from the Nine-Power Pact was urged at a meeting of the Lower House yesterday in consequence of the declaration adopted by the Brussels Conference.

This step would be a repetition of Japan's withdrawal from the League of Nations on account of Manchuria. — Reuter.

ITALY DENIES AMBITIONS TO BE MEDIATOR

Rome, To-day.

It is learned authoritatively that there is no truth in the report that Italy is acting as mediator in the Sino-Japanese war.

The report arose owing to the presence in Rome of Mr. Chen Kung-po, the Chinese Minister of

JAPANESE IN CHECK NEAR SOOCHOW

Shanghai, To-day.

A Chinese spokesman stated this morning that the Japanese "Big Push" against Soochow commenced fiercely yesterday afternoon.

Japanese troops have advanced to within 10 li east of Soochow where the battle is continuing.

Heavy fighting is also taking place north of Shanghai near the confluence of the small Paimao River and the Yangtse.

STRONG RESISTANCE

Japanese troops had landed there, their right wing moving on Changshu and their left wing on Chitang.

The Chinese, however, are offering strong resistance, and are said to have checked the Japanese advance.

Japanese troops who had landed on the south part of Hangchow Bay yesterday are approaching Pinghu and developing an offensive. — Trans-Ocean.

Propaganda, but it is stated that Mr. Chen is here without any specific political purpose.

Mr. Chen Kung-po was yesterday received by the Foreign Minister, Count Ciano. — Reuter.

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BOTH SIDES OF THE MEDAL

FOREIGN observers are often puzzled by what they fancy is a certain illogicality in the British character. At great expense, and not yet been adequately noticed de- grimed walls were covered with light banners bearing the legends: God Save the King, God Bless Our King and Queen, Long May They Reign." Outbursts of loyalty in the wealthier suburbs are pleasant, but not per- The afternoon before the ceremony itself I spent at a matinee of Mr. A. Milne's comedy, "Sarah Simple." It had rained hard all the morning; the streets were crammed with streaming cars and pedestrians; the roads were drenched in mud. But has done pretty well for the inhabi-

grey stone. But which of the guests that through the Abbey. Paid for his seat with a meal foregone? Would you choose the Mall with its crowns and gilding. If you were King or if you were Queen, Or a paper flag on a lonely build- ing, In Pelaw, Pity Me, Seldom Seen?

But even this does not give a full picture of the situation. The East End of London is radical in its political conviction. It might be thought that in the midst of the splendour and pageantry of coronation this radicalism was overwhelmed and swept away. But that would be far from the truth. The same walls that were festooned with flags and bunting bore the familiar chalked-up Left Wing slogans: "Down With Fascism," "Workers, Unite," "Smash Franco." These messages had prob- ably been put up by the same people who had hung out the streamers and banners; certainly they were there with their full approval.

These things — the flags and the slogans side by side — illustrate the old English paradox, the ability to combine apparently dissimilar things, a fervent loyalty, and even love, for the throne, with all its ancient conservative associations, and a lively sympathy for Left Wing politics. Britain beholds both sides of the medal.

By Harold Hobson

For roughly two hundred years now Britain has had a most important official known as the Prime Minister; yet until recently she never as much as took the trouble to have the existence of that official recognised by the law. The most powerful political officer in the Kingdom was, for a century and three quarters, little more than a gate-crasher. This apparent scorn for logic and order extends far into other spheres than the nationally political. Every June in Cambridge there are great social festivities. These festivities are known as May Week. Some racing crews at Oxford, with a similar air of paradox, are called Torpids. Certain students of the British character are inclined to dismiss things like these as amiable eccentricities. But in doing so they are wrong. For they are of fundamental importance. Britain in the last four hundred years has never been a nation with only one thought in her head, differing in this from some countries that get hold of an idea and pursue it with indefatigable pertinacity wherever it may lead. At the very foundation of her strength has lain a capacity for harbouring two or more apparently incompatible ideas at one and the same time.

as I came out of the theatre the rain tants of these places, and gratitude ceased; the sun began to shine fit- fully and I decided to go by round- about route to my home near Epping Forest. I chose a road that is little travelled by visitors to London, one that hundreds of thousands of people who through every year to the capital city of the Commonwealth rarely or never see, except from deck of a ship.

I went through Limehouse, and then turned southward toward the river, passing down Pennyfields, which is London's Chinatown, and then all the way round the West India Docks, until I circled up into the Barking Road again, by the side of the Blackwall Tunnel. Every yard of this journey, huddled in by thousands of squalid dwellings, was a street but was an archway of red, white and blue ribbons, fluttering

The value of an Empire to people who live four, five or six in a room is not so immediately apparent, and the spontaneous, almost riotous, manifestation of good feeling and affection was all the more eloquent and moving.

Dr. C. A. Alington, once headmas- ter of Eton, now dean of Durham, put the matter with a beautiful sim- plicity in the London Times:

The flags are flimsy, the streets are shabby, With mean, low houses of cold,

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BURGLARS who broke into a bank failed to get any money for their pains. Now they know how it feels to ask the manager for an overdraft.

risks of war than to overlook them. —Anthony Eden.

There is not much collective security in a flock of sheep on the way to the butcher. —Winston Churchill.

From an obituary column:— "He was one of the best known characters and was very well liked. Although he had not enjoyed good health since last autumn he was well enough to get up yesterday morning and light the fire. On Friday evening last week he laid down fully dressed and passed away." Neat—but startling.

A successful man is mostly one who received from his neighbours far more than his service to them justifies. —Einstein.

If a woman wants to enter an air race now, the question is whether she's a good pilot, not whether she wears skirts or trousers. —The late Amelia Earhart.

These post-war name changes have the Office Blonde confused. Just where in the well, Old World, she wonders, is Euthanasia?

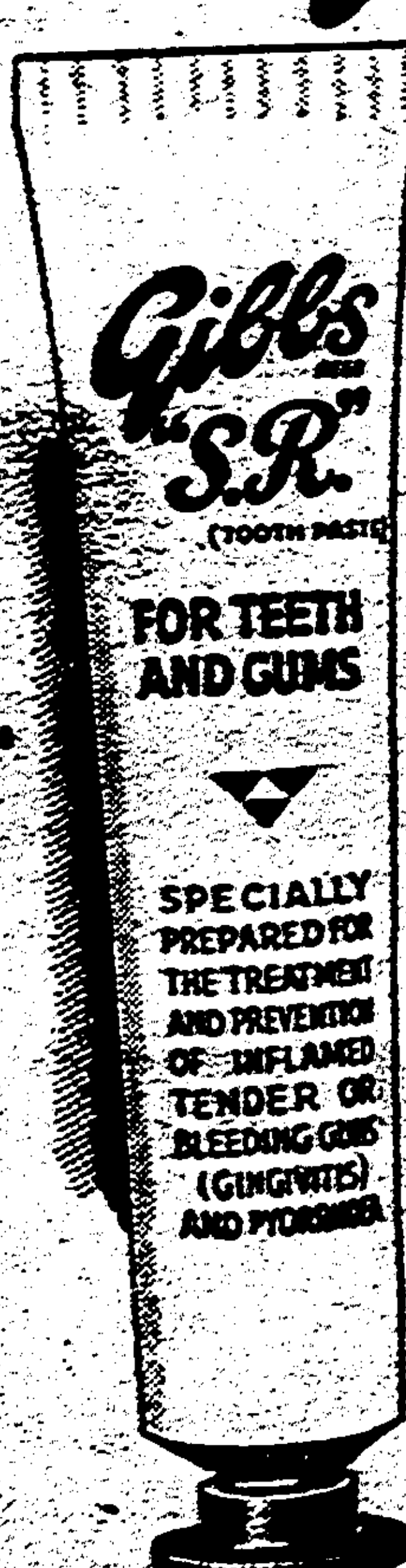
It is possible to have too many clothes. . . . If a woman has too many clothes she gets in a muddle. —Mme. Schisparelli.

So They Say

Gossip about the king's private life ought to be prohibited. —King of the Belgians.

Spend your "hangover" time in a softly coloured room, not in one with wild "doodads" on the wall- paper. You should select the room for your "morning after" headache even more carefully than you selected your companions for the evening before.

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SOVIET WITHDRAWS ALL OBJECTION TO BRITISH PLAN

Change Of Attitude Announced In London

NON-INTERVENTION POLICY MAKES FURTHER ADVANCE

London, To-day.

THE Soviet has accepted in toto and without any reservations the non-intervention resolution passed on November 4.

This was announced by the Soviet Ambassador, M. Ivan Maisky, at yesterday's meeting of the non-intervention sub-committee.

M. MAISKY SAID THIS WAS DONE IN ORDER TO FACILITATE STILL FURTHER THE PRACTICAL WORK OF THE COMMITTEE FOR WITHDRAWAL OF VOLUNTEERS FROM SPAIN, ADDING THAT THEY LEFT WITH THE OTHER GOVERNMENTS INTERPRETATION OF THE TERM "SUBSTANTIAL WITHDRAWAL" UNTIL THE QUESTION CAME UP FOR CONSIDERATION.

The Soviet has thus accepted the British plan in toto and has withdrawn her objection to granting belligerent rights to both warring parties in Spain.

It is reported that substantial progress has been made in regard to technical aspects of the three main branches of the plan, dealing respectively with withdrawal of volunteers, grant of belligerent rights and restoration and strengthening of the observation scheme.—Reuter.

COMPLICATION AVOIDED

London, To-day.

At yesterday's meeting of the non-intervention sub-committee, the Russian Ambassador announced that his Government now accepted and without any reservations, the plan adopted by the full Committee on November 4th.

This announcement obviates the need for an examination of the question of what practical measures might be required to meet the situation arising out of the fact that one Government was abstaining from accepting the provisions in the plan relating to belligerent rights — an examination for which the second resolution passed on November 4th provided and which would certainly have complicated the Committee's technical preparations for putting the plan into effect if and when it has been accepted by the two parties in Spain. The Chairman intimated that no reply has yet been received from either party.

TECHNICAL PROGRESS

The sub-committee received a full report regarding the substantial degree of progress achieved since the last meeting in the technical aspects of the three major parts of the plan, namely, the withdrawal of volunteers, the grant of belligerent rights and the restoring and strengthening of the observation scheme.

These technical discussions are proceeding and the committee was informed that it was anticipated that technical reports on each of the three subjects would be available next week.

M. MAISKY THANKED

After Monsieur Maisky's statement, the Chairman expressed the satisfaction of the Committee and it was agreed that the two sides in Spain should be informed of the change in the Soviet attitude.

M. Maisky made it clear that in withdrawing its reservations re-

garding belligerent rights, the Soviet Government withheld, along with other Governments, its interpretation of the meaning to be attached to "substantial withdrawal" in the text of the plan until the proper time arrived for its consideration.

A further meeting of the sub-committee will be held early next week unless replies from the Spanish parties are received in the meantime, in which case the sub-committee might meet to consider them at an earlier date.—British Wireless.

UNION TRADING CO. GET JUDGMENT

Judgment for a sum of \$19,729.22, with costs, was awarded the Union Trading Company, by the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, at the Supreme Court this morning. The plaintiff company, represented by the Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almada, junior, instructed by Mr. W. C. Hung, claimed the mentioned amount from Wong Tong for loss sustained on goods sold to the Chung Shan Knitting Company, Limited, who failed to take delivery of the goods.

Wong Tong admitted liability, stating that he was the guarantor of the plaintiff company.

German Resident To Marry

The forthcoming wedding of Mr. Otto Koppenhoefer, mechanical engineer, residing at the European Young Men's Christian Association, Kowloon, and Miss Helena Julch, of Avenue Haig No. 169, Shanghai, has been announced. The ceremony will take place in the Colony shortly.

LOSS FROM SHIP

Mr. Ernest Hedley, fourth engineer of the s.s. Turbo now lying at the Taikoo docks has reported the loss of a cigarette case, his engineer's certificate and passport.

FOUR DAY TESTS IN ENGLAND

London, To-day.

The Board of Control advisory committee, meeting yesterday, decided that the Test Matches between England and Australia will be of four days each, the last Test at the Oval being played to a finish if, at the conclusion of the fourth Test, the difference in matches won is not greater than one.—Reuter.

LANCASHIRE M.P. PASSES

London, To-day.

A by-election will be necessitated in the Farnworth Division of Lancashire by the death yesterday afternoon of Mr. Guy Rowson, Labour member for the division, who had a majority of 5,201 at the last election.—British Wireless.

NEW AMBASSADOR IN LISBON

London, To-day.

Sir Walford Selby was received in audience by the King at Buckingham Palace on his appointment as British Ambassador at Lisbon.

Sir Winston Dugan, Governor of South Australia, also had an audience of His Majesty.—British Wireless.

KING LEOPOLD'S STATE VISIT

London, To-day.

To a Royal Salute fired from Dover Castle, the Belgian motor yacht, Prince Albert, which had been escorted half-way across the Channel by nine Royal Air Force planes and a flotilla of destroyers, arrived at Dover Harbour yesterday afternoon, bringing King Leopold of the Belgians on a State Visit to the King and Queen.

The Duke of Gloucester was on the quay to welcome King Leopold.

On his arrival in London, where he was greeted at Victoria Station by the King and other members of the Royal Family, the Prime Minister and others, the King of the Belgians was given an enthusiastic welcome by large crowds which had gathered outside the station and along the route to Buckingham Palace.

The two Kings and the Duke of Gloucester drove in an open carriage drawn by six of the famous Windsor Greys and escorted by the Royal Horse Guards.

On arrival at the Palace, King Leopold was greeted by the Queen.

Late in the afternoon, the Royal visitor called on Queen Mary at Marlborough House where he remained for nearly an hour.

Later at St. James's Palace, he received a civic deputation.

Last night, King Leopold was the Guest of their Majesties at a State Banquet at Buckingham Palace.—British Wireless.

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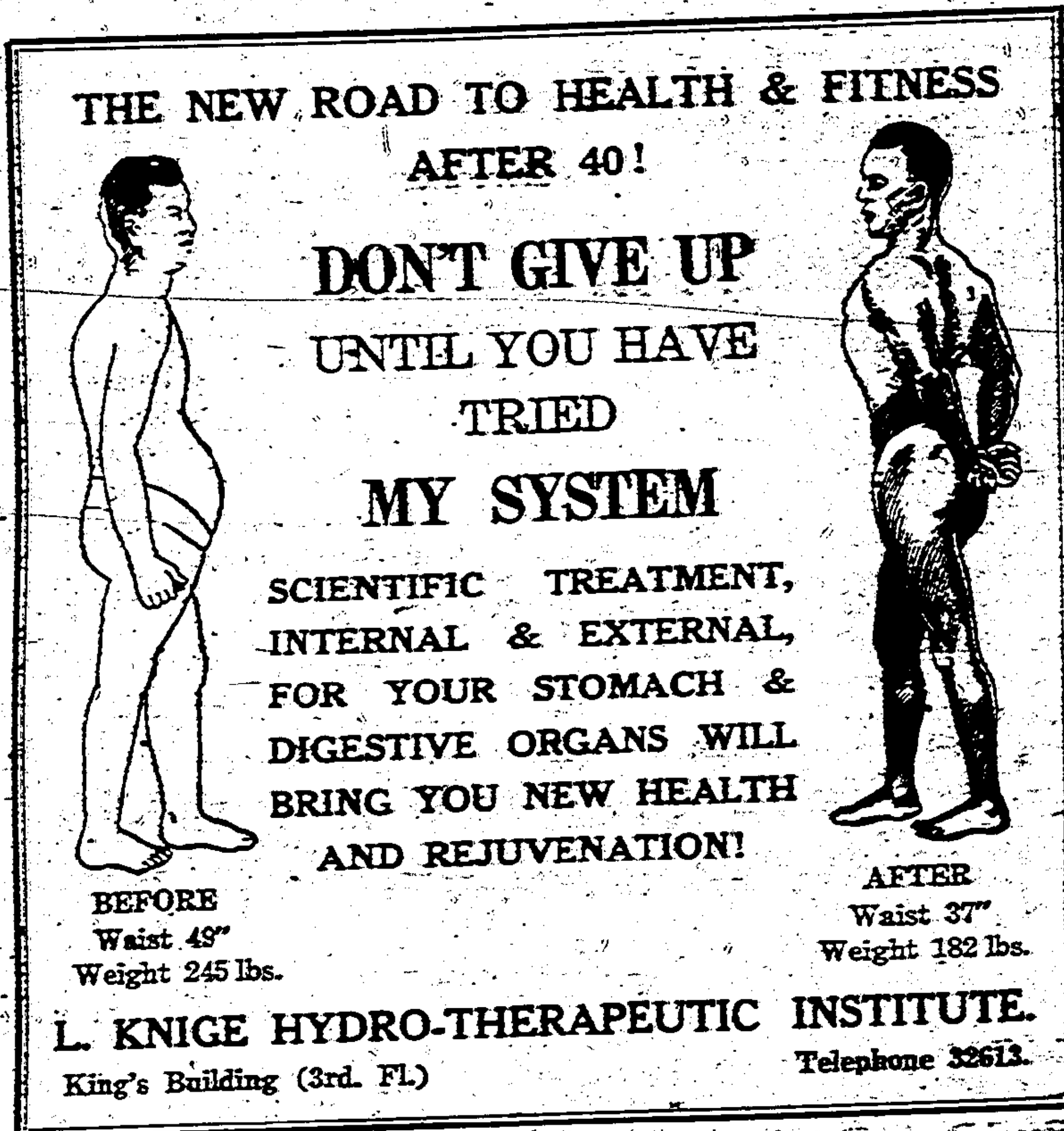
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THE BRUSSELS DECLARATION

The Brussels Conference is not yet to be dismissed as a failure, small as its accomplishments appear to be. In the concluding paragraph of the declaration approved on Monday there is a plain warning to Japan that concerted action may be decided upon, and while the door is left open for Tokyo's reconsideration of her position, it is evident that the Powers are proceeding upon the assumption that, at this stage, there is no hope of a change of heart in Japan. The document is interesting in its logical destruction of the Japanese thesis, and has an historic importance in that it represents, probably, the first instance when, within the terms of an international treaty, one of the signatories has stood condemned by the majority of the remainder of a flagrant breach. The States adopting the resolution—Italy being the sole obstructionist—complete their survey of the facts of the situation by informing Japan that they must now consider what is to be their common attitude when one party to an international treaty maintains, against the views of all the other parties, that the action it has taken does not come within the scope of that treaty, and sets aside the provisions of the treaty which the other parties hold to be operative. This is the official language. It means, tersely, that Japan's contortionist tricks with the meanings of such terms as self-defence and territorial and administrative integrity are reduced to absurdity under calm analysis. It means also that conciliation having been rejected other means must be sought to preserve the sanctity of the treaty.

It is true, of course, that the whole structure of hope built upon the assembly of the Treaty Powers may collapse when they sit down seriously to decide upon their common attitude. Yet this much cannot be overlooked: by the degree of their condemnation of the treaty breach must the standard of their action in support of that treaty be judged.

Responsibility does not begin and end with defining Japan's disregard of her obligations. Signature of the Nine Power Treaty involves on all both the obligation to observe and the obligation to preserve. Respect for international undertakings depends in equal measure on both. Absence of self-restraint and failure to restrain must finally contribute equally to international anarchy. There could be no greater fiasco than the formulation of the Brussels declaration unless behind it lies an understanding regarding the steps to be taken progressively to meet any situation that may arise from Japanese failure to take account of the representations made. Assurances to China of financial and material aid represent the minimum. For it is impossible on the face of the declaration for any signatory to make claim to the preservation of "neutrality." Mere shaking of fists and threats of exorcism will not stop a single Japanese bomb from dropping and a spasmodic boycott may easily result in more desperate deeds of cruelty. But because war is with us, and because the horizon all round is so dark, it behoves us to try to realise that every man, woman, and child is threatened, and that what Britain is doing now in anticipation of the worst horrors of war must be everyone's task and manifest duty.

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Sungkiang and Soochow

Belief that Japan's aerial bombing barbarities had been checked by her realisation of the effect upon world opinion have been rudely shattered. The story of Sungkiang related in the "China Mail" yesterday, coming from a foreign eye-witness, and the picture that can be conjured up by news of the raining of 700 bombs on Soochow, China's most renowned beauty spot, reveal that whatever Prince Konoye or Mr. Hirota may think, terrorism in its worst forms remains the policy of the Japanese militarists.

To attempt condonation or denial of these horrors described so reliably and so fully is merely to shirk irrefutable facts. Whatever discrepancy might occur in detail, Japan's guilt is undeniable. Like Burke, we may say that we "do not know the method of drawing up an indictment of a whole people," and believe that the mass of the people of Japan, as of other countries, are undoubtedly humane and peace-loving. But Japan to-day is a nation directed by militarists who are arrogant, aggressive, and determined by terrorism to "bring China to her knees." Recent books have described Japanese aggression in North China, especially its ready resort to force. Now in the "Contemporary Review" an observer in China describes in vivid detail the cruelties practised by the Japanese. "Terrorism is their weapon," he states. "The West would not credit half the things which the Chinese to-day are experiencing under the Japanese." But this policy has the opposite effect to that intended for it has brought about a new and remarkable unity of the Chinese people. Japan has united China against her, and still acts to unite world opinion against her barbarities.

DUCHESS OF KENT'S COUSIN KILLED IN CRASH

Six Members Of Ducal Family Die In Air Disaster

GRAND DUKE AND WIFE BURNED TO DEATH

Ostend, To-day.

PRINCE von Hesse and his son and three daughters were among the eight passengers and three crew killed when a Belgian passenger plane from Frankfort to London crashed into a factory chimney in thick fog near Ostend aerodrome yesterday.

The plane should have called at Brussels but on account of fog went direct to Ostend. There were no British casualties.—Reuter.

The Grand Ducal House of Hesse suffered a terrible loss yesterday when six of its members, including the Grand Duke Georges and his wife, Cecilie, cousin of the Duchess of Kent, were burned to death in the appalling air disaster.

The plane crashed into a chimney while trying to make an intermediary landing at the small landing field at Steene, near Ostend.

TERRIBLE TRAGEDY

At the moment of impact, flame burst forth from the engine and enveloped the entire craft which fell to earth as a mass of fiercely blazing wreckage, from which the unfortunate occupants had not the slightest chance of escape.

Two children of the Grand Duke, Prince Ludwig Ernst and Prince Alexander Georges, were among the dead, as well as the Grand Duke's brother, Prince Ludwig von Hesse, and the Grand Duchess Eleonore, widow of the Grand Duke, whose death occurred only recently.

Prince Ludwig was attached to the German Embassy in London.

BELGIAN PLANE

All eleven occupants of the ill-fated plane, which belonged to Belgian Airways, lost their lives.

The others lost are believed to have been Baron von Eisennach and Captain Martins, the well-known German pilot and a gliding pioneer.

A chambermaid travelling with the Hesse party is also among the dead.

FOG CONDITIONS

The pilot, owing to the fog, decided not to stop at Brussels but to fly straight through to London.

Apparently he found the fog conditions becoming too perilous and decided to land at Steene.

Eye-witnesses of the disaster declare that the pilot had switched on his land lights and was making directly for the airport when the crash occurred.—Trans-Ocean.

MESSAGE TO CHINA FROM CATALONIA

Barcelona, To-day.

The third congress of the Catalonian General Union of Workers, representing 560,000 workers, yesterday voted a message to the Chinese people.

The message reads:

"The workers of the U.G.T. of Catalonia dedicate a brotherly salute to their Chinese brothers who, equally with us here, struggle so fiercely against the invasion of Japanese Fascism to free their people from the oppression of the capitalist world.

"Long live China! Death to Fascism!"—Reuter.

MR. EDEN GOES BACK TO BED

London, To-day.

The Foreign Minister, Mr. Anthony Eden, has not yet recovered from his cold.

After his conversation with Lord Halifax yesterday morning, he had to return to bed and could not be present at the reception to King Leopold.—Trans-Ocean.

FRAU GIPPERICH RETURNING

Among passengers arriving in the s.s. "Gneisenau" is Frau H. Gipperich, wife of the German Consul General, who is returning from leave in Germany. Frau Gipperich will be heartily welcomed by her many friends both in the German and the International Community.

JAPANESE MANDATED ISLANDS

Geneva, To-day.

The Mandates Commission yesterday considered the report of the Japanese Government on the administration of the islands in the Pacific under Japanese mandate.

The accredited representative of the mandatory Power was questioned on social and economic matters, but no questions on political subjects, fortifications or navigation were asked.—Reuter.

PETROLEUM CONTROL IN NEW ZEALAND

Wellington (N.Z.), To-day.

A Petroleum Bill was introduced in the New Zealand Parliament yesterday.

Under the Bill,

All existing natural supplies of petroleum will be invested in Crown ownership.

Prospecting and mining will be under license, and

Royalties of not less than 5 per cent. will be given to Government.

All petroleum must be refined and sold in New Zealand until requirements of the internal market have been met.

In time of war the Government is empowered to seize all petrol and works.—Reuter.

CHINESE GOLD RESERVES NOW IN LONDON

London, To-day.

Important gold reserves belonging to the Chinese Government were shipped to London at the outbreak of hostilities with Japan says the "Daily Herald."

The paper adds that three such shipments have now arrived in London, and more are expected to follow shortly.

Chinese circles in London affirm that a certain amount of this gold will be re-shipped to the United States, where it will remain until the Far Eastern conflict is settled.—Trans-Ocean.

HERR HITLER'S HOUSEKEEPER PASSES

Munich, To-day.

Herr Hitler yesterday attended the funeral of Frau Ella Schindler, who for many years had been in charge of the Fuehrer's household at Obersalzberg.

Frau Schindler, who was a member of the Nazi Party, died after a short illness at the age of 57.—Trans-Ocean.

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The Non-Intervention Committee met in London on October 26. Herr Von Ribbentrop was among those present. Photo shows—Herr Von Ribbentrop (left) who flew from Berlin and Dr. Woerman, German Charge d'Affaires. (Fox Copyright: By Air Mail).



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London, To-day.

THE announcement made by the Chancellor of the Exchequer in the House of Commons yesterday that the fiduciary issue would be increased from mid-November to approximately mid-January from £200,000,000 to £220,000,000, is taken quietly in the City.

It is pointed out that note circulation tends to increase at Christmas, and such an increase this year would only have been possible by withdrawing notes from reserve in the banking department of the Bank of England.

This would mean a sharp fall in the proportion of reserve to deposits, and, in order to obviate this, especially as the fall would attract unfavourable comment on the Continent, the authorities decided to increase the fiduciary issue, thus permitting more notes to go into circulation without affecting total notes in reserve.

DEMAND FOR CURRENCY

Moreover, reports of the high level of internal and external trade in October suggest growing demand for currency.

It is generally expected that note circulation will exceed £500,000,000 at Christmas.—Reuter.

NEW RECORD EXPECTED

The last December note circulation reached an all-time record for Christmas of \$474,115,561, but with the growing prosperity of country this figure was further exceeded at the highest of the holiday season this summer when the circulation passed the £500,000,000 mark.

In view of this it may be anti-

KING LEOPOLD'S COLONIAL UNEASINESS

Paris, To-day.

The visit of the King of the Belgians to London will furnish an opportunity for discussion of the colonial question in connection with German claims, between King Leopold and British statesmen, says "Le Jour."

The paper states that the claims put forward by Berlin have created much uneasiness in Belgium.

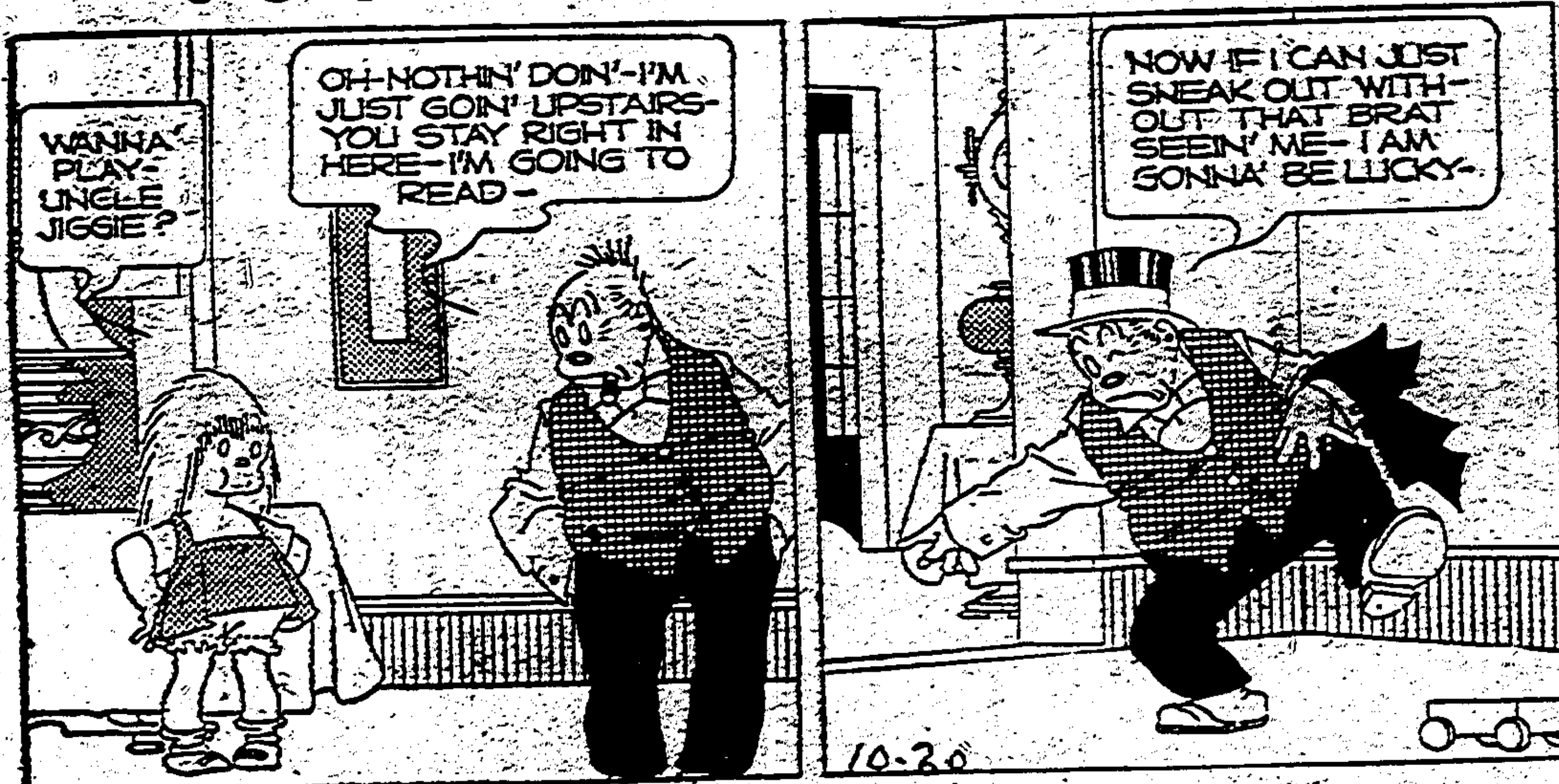
While the Belgian Government is prepared to follow the lead of other Powers, and especially Britain, in this matter, she must nevertheless take account of Belgian public opinion, which is firmly opposed to cessation of even the smallest part of Belgium's colonial possessions.—Trans-Ocean.

It is anticipated that the note circulation, which was \$485,573,284 last week will touch a new high figure at Christmas.—British Wireless.

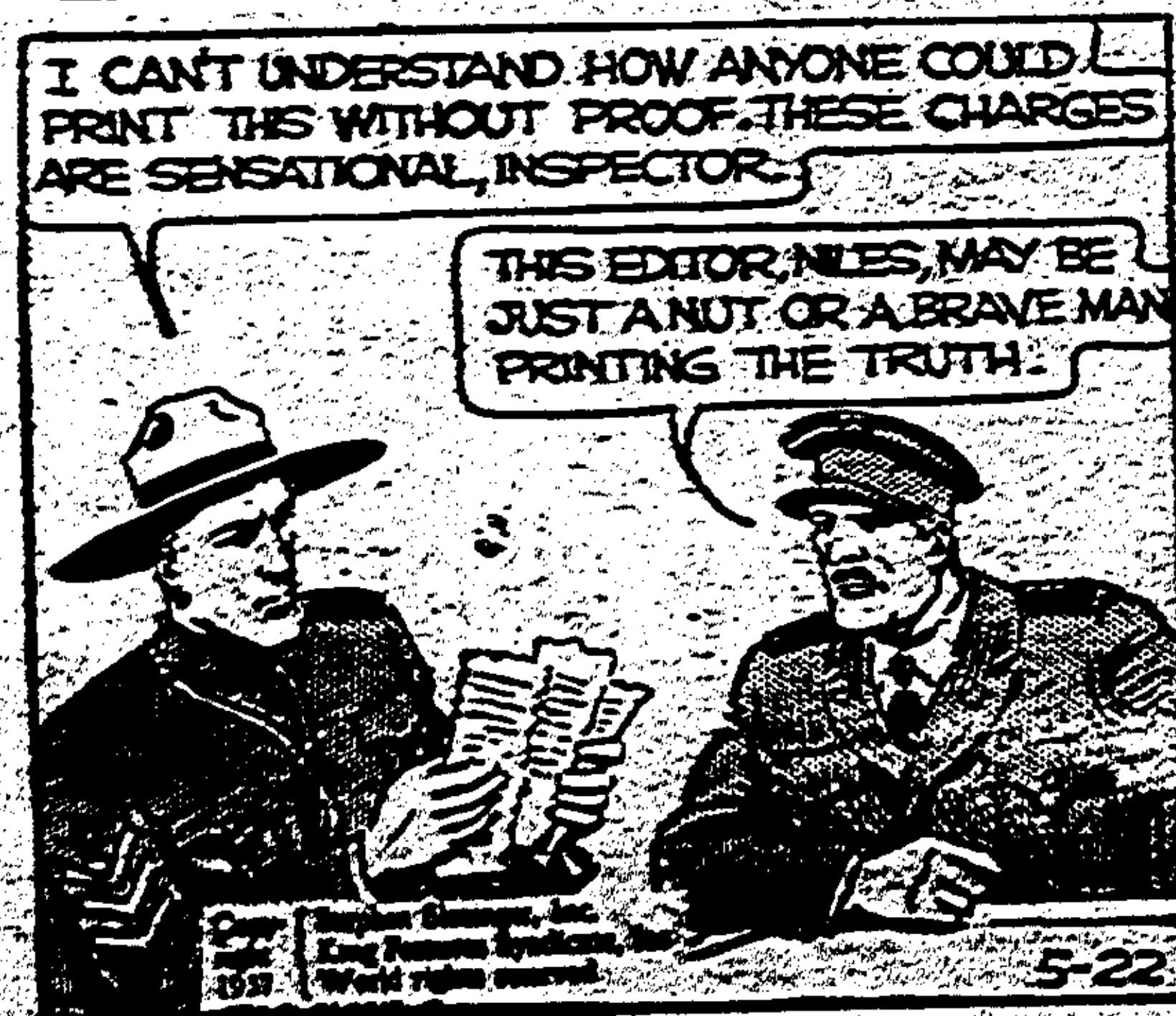
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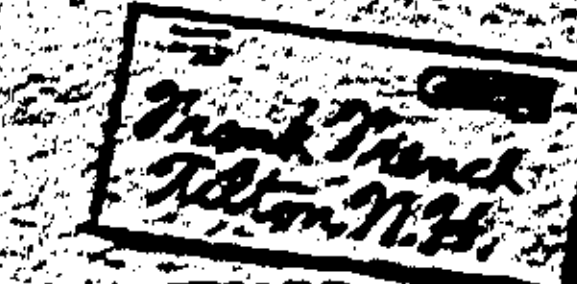
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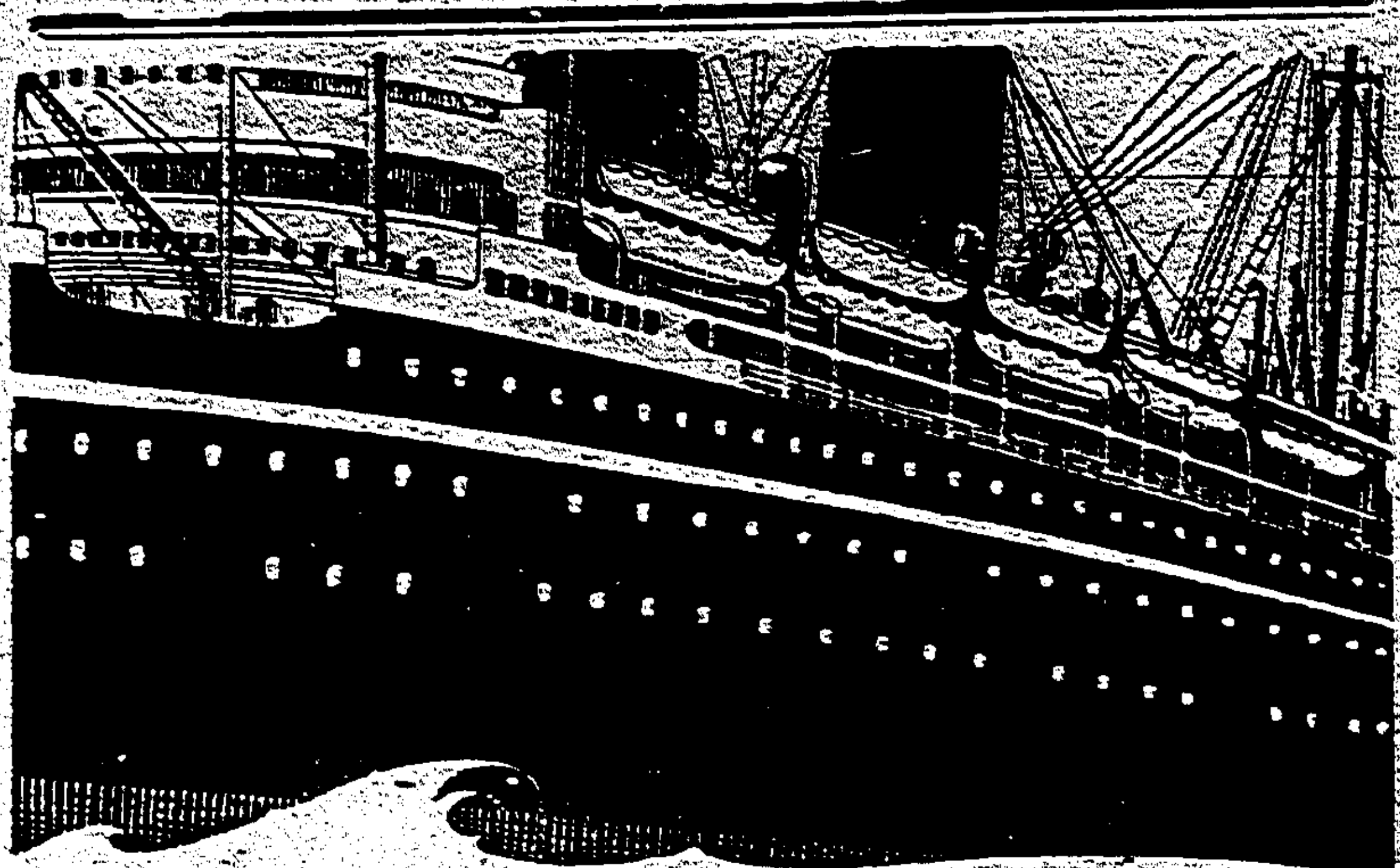
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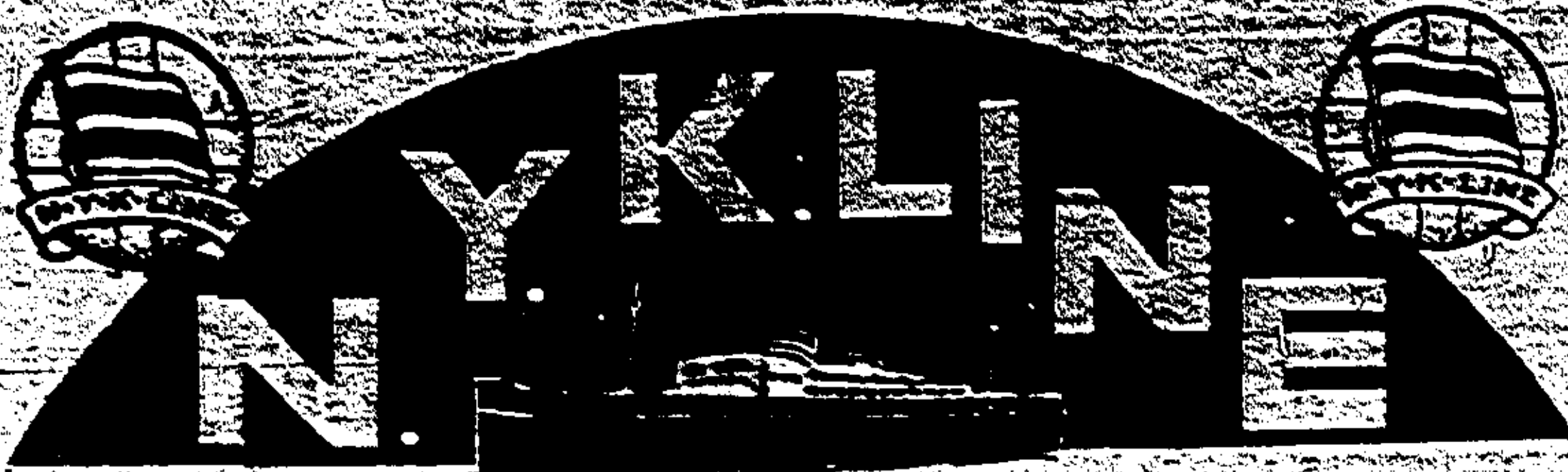
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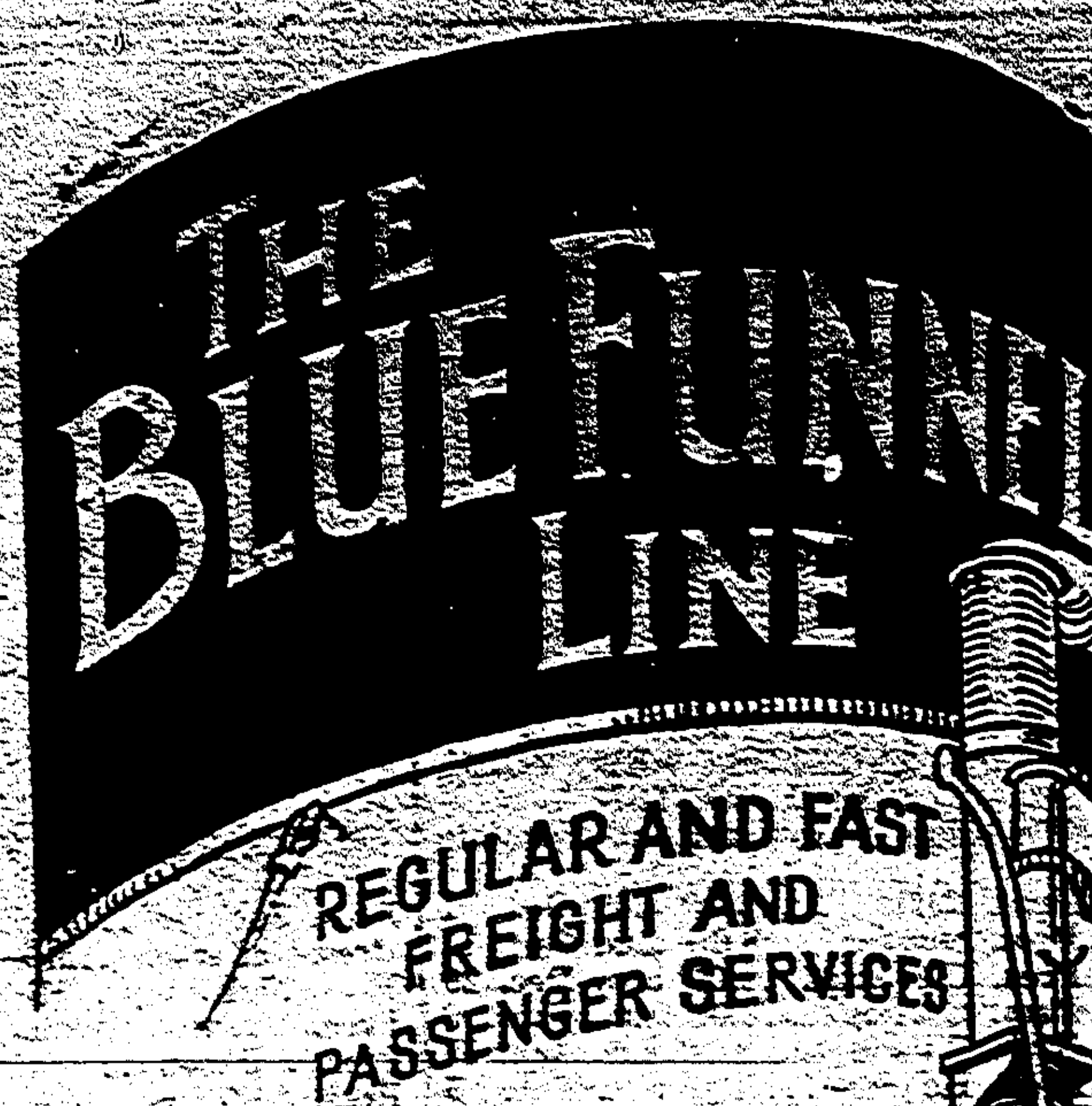
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The balance of trade continues to be favourable, exports exceeding imports by 59,000,000 reichsmarks.—Trans-Ocean.

SOUTH SEA IS. DEVELOPMENT

Geneva, To-day.
The Japanese representative, Mr. Usami, who has just concluded an extensive tour of the former German South Seas islands, now under Japanese mandate, yesterday gave an account of their economic and cultural progress to the Mandates Commission.

Exports, he said, had increased from 2,000,000 yen in 1922 to 26,600,000 yen in 1935, mainly as a result of growth of the sugar field and extension of the fishing industry.—Trans-Ocean.

CATTLE DISEASE IN EUROPE

Paris, To-day.
Foot and mouth disease, which is prevalent in France as well as Britain and Germany, has led to cancellation of the large cattle fair at Chartres on Nov. 30.

The measure is only one of many taken by the authorities in their endeavours to stamp out the disease in Normandy.—Trans-Ocean.

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate of the Hong Kong dollar this morning was 1/2-27/32.

"Spot" silver was quoted at 19-11/16 and "forward" at 19-5/8.

The London on New York cross-rate was quoted at £-U.S.\$5.01 and the New York on London rate at \$-U.S.\$5.01-7/16.

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WILLING TO WORK TO PAY BACK MONEY

Chin Ka-lan, aged 46, employed by the China Construction Company, was this morning bound over in a bond of \$200 for one year by Mr. R. Edwards when he pleaded guilty to embezzlement of \$108.76, the property of his employers.

Inspector Donovan said defendant had been employed Mr. T. A. Johnson, manager of the company, for the past nine months and had been satisfactory in every way. Yesterday at 1 p.m. he was given two cheques, totalling \$108.76 to cash at the bank. He returned later and reported that he either had the money stolen from his pocket or had lost it. The manager became suspicious and the Police were called in. Finally defendant admitted theft and said that he had met his cousin, a seaman, who had told him that he had just returned from Shanghai and that there defendant's wife was undergoing great hardship owing to the trouble. Defendant gave his cousin the money for his wife.

The complainant was not pressing the case having regard to his previous honesty, but was not re-engaging him. Defendant said he was willing to work to repay the money and was willing to have \$10 or more deducted from his pay monthly.

AUSTRALIAN CONVERSION LOAN ISSUE

London, To-day.
The Australian Government will issue in London this week a new Conversion Loan for the amount of £11,409,965 at 3½ per cent, amortisation to be spread over a period of 16 years.

The issue price will be 97. Proceeds of the Loan will be used for amortisation of the existing New South Wales, South Australian and Tasmanian loans.

The subscription list will be open in London to-day.

The new loan will bring the total amount of existing Australian conversion loans to over £22,000,000.—Trans-Ocean.

DR. SMALLEY ROBBED

The home of Dr. J. T. Smalley at No. 57, Kadoorie Avenue, was entered sometime yesterday.

Dr. Smalley, in his report, stated that entering through an open window, the intruder stole a hand bag containing money and sundry articles and a driving licence in the name of Miss J. Smalley. Another hand bag containing \$38 was also stolen.

Singapore Raw Rubber

Messrs H. B. Joseph and Co., have received the following quotations in Straits Currency for Raw Rubber:

Jan/March 23 b. down ¾
April/June 23-¼ b. down ¾
July/Sept 23-½ b. down ¾
Market Uncertain

ARGUMENTS FOR LEAGUE CRICKET



W. A. Reed (left) and E. L. Gosano, opening Recreio's innings against the University Alumni Association to whom they lost.

Friendly Matches Apt To Induce Slackness

JOHN PEARCE AND HIS BOWLING

FREDDIE ZIMMERN TAKES WICKETS

(By "ADREM")

FROM what little I saw of cricket last week-end, most games were marked with a decidedly light-hearted spirit and were played with such obvious enjoyment that I couldn't help wondering whether League cricket is as successful as it should be.

Nevertheless there are arguments for both sides. Cricket without a League may suit some people but I have always felt that where short Winter's afternoons provide such limited time for a decision to be arrived at, unless there are hard and fast rules regarding times of starting and finishing and a set period for the tea interval, matches are very apt to devolve into virtual farces in which very little in the way of cricket can be accomplished.

I rather felt that Saturday's match at King's Park between Recreio and University Alumni might very easily have been left "hanging in the air" as it were. The Graduates batted first and had scored 147 runs which, owing to the frightful state of the wicket, had taken them some considerable time to get.

A good many of the Recreio team were past contemporaries of their opponents, in their Varsity days and in consequence there was a good deal of chaffing and gossip over tea which delayed the resumption until well after 4.30. With the side Recreio had on paper, it was only reasonable to expect the match to be drawn, especially as Alumni did not have a man who could be described as a stock-bowler.

F. ZIMMERN, A BOWLER!

Freddy Zimmern found a spot, Anderson bowled very steadily and this combination aided by the fiery nature of the wicket, enabled the home team to be put out in a very short time without any real resistance being encountered.

Zimmern had quite a remarkable spell of bowling and dismissed W. A. Reed and Eddie Gosano with really good balls which pitched on the leg stumps and raced through to carry the off stump in each case. He has speeded up his deliveries quite considerably and if he could work up sufficient enthusiasm to apply himself to a concentrated spell of net-practice and thus gain more control of a length, he might very well develop into one of the most useful bowlers at the K.C.C. — not a very difficult task at the moment, I fear me.

JOHN PEARCE'S BOWLING

A good deal has already been written about the two-day match between the Club and the K.C.C. which the former won by an innings, so I will not attempt to add anything further. One factor stands out among all others, however, that is, that John Pearce, provided he stays in the Colony, will follow his father and brother and play for Hong Kong. One competent K.C.C. batsman compared him to Growder, one of the

finest spin bowlers ever to have played in the Colony, but went further and said he was even better than Growder. I am told that he spins the ball very viciously from leg, keeps a fairly good length and has a wrong 'un, which simply cannot be spotted.

Navy have definitely got a good side this season. They beat Army very convincingly at King's Park as the result of consistency both in batting and bowling. Army batted first and apart from Lt. Weedon and Sgt. Partridge, nobody met with success and they were finally dismissed for 114. C. P. O. Page bowled excellently to capture 4 for 29 in 15 overs, 6 of which were maidens.

TOP OF FORM

With Capt. Whitmarsh and Lt. Ogle each topping the 40 mark, Navy passed this total with three wickets down and went on to score 133 for 4. Whitmarsh has not been doing a great deal in the bowling line recently, owing, I think, to an injury. He is batting at the top of his form, however, and has been responsible for some really good scores, among them being an undefeated century against Press, although, it must be admitted that on that occasion he did not have very much to contend with in the way of bowling.

CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT

I.R.C. batting continues to improve and they took 205 runs off the Craigengower attack, for the loss of only 6 wickets. Although the Valley team were without several regular members of their side, their bowling was not affected in any way and it can be considered that the Indian score was made against the best their opponents could put against them.

Nazarin has jumped into his stride following a bad season, as has Ismail, and with all the other batsmen scoring runs more or less consistently, I.R.C. prospects appear particularly bright.

Minu as usual bore the brunt of the bowling and took his usual quota of cheap wickets, while A. H. Madar came on at the end to capture 3 wickets for only two runs.

NAVY BEAT ARMY EASILY AT RUGBY

Asquith And Kyrk Outstanding

LOSERS' BACKS LACK THRUST

A thrilling Rugby game was witnessed on the Royal Naval Recreation Club ground yesterday afternoon when the Senior Service trounced the Army by two goals and three tries (19 points) to nil after leading at the interval by 13 points to nil.

Both teams had several newcomers, Lt. Webster appearing in the Navy scrum-half position instead of Lt. Talbot, but did not impress, while Spr. Hall made his first appearance as a wing-forward for the Army, taking Harrison's place as the latter is shortly leaving for home.

P. O. Asquith was in splendid form for the Navy, in the three-quarter line, and scored two fine tries in addition to paving the way for two others, while Kyrk was also in splendid form on the right touch-line. Harvey's handling was not at its best, although his defence was very good.

The Army three-quarters seemed to lack the fire and thrust they displayed against the Club, although Gudgeon broke through on several occasions only to fail through lack of support. Chiverall, the Army left-wing three-quarter, tried hard, but found Kyrk too fast for him.

Asquith (2), Kyrk (2) and Anderson scored for the Navy, Kyrk adding the goal points for two of the efforts. The Army were awarded two penalty goals almost in front of the Navy goal posts, but Capt. Gillespie failed to convert them. Dr. J. A. R. Selby refereed.



INTER-SOCIETY LAWN BOWLS RINKS SELECTED

The annual lawn bowls match between St. Andrew's Society and St. George's Society will take place at the Kowloon Bowling Green Club, next Saturday, commencing at 2.45 p.m. sharp.

The following members have been selected to play.

RINK No. 1	
J. Fraser	P. E. Knight
Dr. J. R. Selby	S. M. White
J. C. Brown	G. H. Sherriff
A. Hyde Lay	S. Bandle
(Skip)	(Skip)
RINK No. 2	
J. Watson	R. P. Phillips
M. Ferguson	E. V. Searle
N. Drummond	J. C. Gill
A. M. Holland	C. B. Hosking
(Skip)	(Skip)
RINK No. 3	
A. Stevenson	R. E. Manghan
W. Russell	Hon. N. L. Smith
W. Macfarlane	E. W. Lines
Sir Atholl Macgregor	G. S. Archbutt
(Skip)	(Skip)
RINK No. 4	
A. S. Russell	J. S. Howell
J. Rodger	T. Coleman
A. Macfarlane	E. Tuck
R. Duncan	J. G. Meyer
(Skip)	(Skip)
RINK No. 5	
A. M. Calman	D. W. Waterton
J. Kempton	E. S. Carter
J. C. Chalmers	G. E. F. Thompson
R. K. Wallace	T. Armstrong
(Skip)	(Skip)
RINK No. 6	
W. L. Walker	A. E. Pearson
J. Gellatly	A. E. Silkestone
W. Mair	W. S. Drake
J. McKelvie	B. W. Bradbury
(Skip)	(Skip)
Reserves	
R. G. Craig	R. O. Read
S. J. Pollock	T. E. Robson
J. S. Logan	Dr. Smalley
J. Revie	E. M. Hanlon
J. M. Jack	
W. Cunningham	

FARR OFFERED £1,200 A WEEK £100 FOR POSING IS "CHICKEN FEED" HAS NO AGREEMENT WITH MIKE JACOBS MARKS ON FACE HE WILL BEAR TO THE GRAVE

(By PETER WILSON)

London, October 12.

BRITAIN'S boxing hero, Tommy Farr, has been offered a salary of £1,200 a week to go on a three months' tour with a baseball team next year. Offers for stage appearances are being showered on him. He revealed when he landed at Southampton that next year he hopes to earn anything from £100,000 to £150,000.

THE BURLY YOUNG MAN IN THE CAMELHAIR COAT LAUGHED SCORNFULLY: "A HUNDRED POUNDS—WHAT'S THE GOOD OF THAT TO ME? I'M NOT INTERESTED IN CHICKEN FEED!" THAT'S WHAT AMERICA HAS DONE FOR TOMMY FARR, WHO LANDED IN ENGLAND YESTERDAY AFTER HIS FIGHT FOR THE WORLD TITLE AGAINST JOE LOUIS AND HIS SUBSEQUENT TOUR OF THE STATES AND CANADA.

What's more it's not boasting. A hundred pounds—which was offered him in connection with an advertising stunt—is chicken feed compared with the sums he can get for film, variety and advertising work. He has been offered £250 and a third of the gate by a Birmingham promoter simply to spar for three minutes with any partner he likes to select; he is to start filming at the beginning of November.

The picture will not be just a Queen Mary. It is a possibility boxing film. Farr will be seen as that he might meet the winner of a motor-racing driver and a of the forthcoming Strickland-Neusel fight.

NO AGREEMENT

As to his future fight plans, nothing is definitely arranged yet. Wembley had a representative to meet him on board the

Farr told me definitely that there is no agreement between him and Mike Jacobs, the American promoter, which forbids him taking part in bouts on this side of the Atlantic.

But he has a heavy fight programme mapped out for America next year. First he may fight Maxie Rosenbloom, former cruiser-weight champion of the world. Then in February he is stated to have a bout in Miami, Florida—probably with Jim Braddock, who lost his world's title to Joe Louis.

Fights in Chicago in May and in Detroit in June are also on the cards. If Farr gets through all these successfully he has been promised another shot at the world title against the winner of the Louis-Max Schmeling bout.

"I'M NO ACTOR"

Certainly Farr could never pose as a matinee idol. In the past there were scars on his face to remind him of the days when he was a penniless miner, toiling underground in the coalmines of Wales.

Now these have been supplemented by deeper and more angry-looking scars. Mementoes of the ebony fists of Joe Louis. There are deep gashes, but recently healed, under both eyes and Farr will bear them to the grave.

Yet one of his first remarks was that he would rather fight every night of the week than appear on the stage. "I'm no actor," he kept on repeating.

BUT NOW!

Yet he filled the part of the returning "champ" to the life. If he



Tommy Farr, above, British and Empire heavyweight boxing champion, is now resting on his laurels in England, but has a heavy programme ahead of him in the United States early next year.

AUSTIN LOSES IN HALF HOUR AND WILDE LOSES TO EVERGREEN BOROTRA

London, October 9.

England's No. 1 tennis ace, Bunny Austin, met with one of the heaviest defeats of his career yesterday.

He was beaten 6-1, 6-2, by the young Frenchman, Christian Boussus, in the covered courts international match at Queen's Club. And it took Boussus just half an hour to do it!

This was Austin's first competitive appearance since the Davis Cup, and he looked badly in need of practice.

Boussus, without doing anything out of the ordinary, ran through game after game. After losing the first, he won nine games in a reel to win the first set and go to three love in the second.

BOROTRA WINS

Another setback for England was the defeat of young Frank Wilde—probably our best player on wood—by evergreen Jean Borotra. Borotra won 6-4, 6-2.

At Borotra's request the umpire twice changed his decisions in this match. Twice Wilde served what the umpire thought were faults, but Borotra insisted that they were good and that the points should be credited to Wilde.

On another occasion he hit out deliberately after what he thought was a bad decision against Wilde.

TO-NIGHT'S BADMINTON ENCOUNTER

ST. JOHN'S TASK AT KOWLOON TONG

Only one fixture in the "B" Division of the Men's Doubles Badminton League is down for decision this evening, when Kowloon Tong entertain St. John's, at Waterloo Road.

In their first match of the season played last Wednesday evening, St. John's swamped St. Andrew's by nine games to nil, displaying good form and combination.

To-night, however, they encounter a stronger team, which has shown vast improvement since last season, and coupled with the fact that they will be playing away, it would not be surprising if they just manage to secure the points by the narrowest of margins.

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PHOTOGRAPHIC LECTURES AND DEMONSTRATIONS

A very interesting series of Lectures and Demonstrations which should prove an attraction to the Colony's amateur photographers, has been organised by the Sailors' and Soldiers' Camera Club and The St. John's Cathedral Photographic Society.

The Lectures are to be held at the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home, 22 Hennessy Road and the charge for admission to non-members of these two Clubs is \$1.00 for civilians and 50 cents for servicemen.

The first lecturer will be Dr. H. Roeschiesen of Messrs. Agfa China Company who will speak on Thursday, November 18 on "The Treatment of Enlargement Papers". Dr. Roeschiesen will explain and demonstrate how the best workers get that brilliant quality in their enlargements which often proves so elusive to the average worker.

The full syllabus of lectures is as follows:—

Nov. 18, 8 p.m., Dr. H. Roeschiesen, Treatment of Enlargement Papers, (Lecture and Demonstration); Dec. 2, 8 p.m., R. Seidler Esq., Reflections on Photography, (Lecture); Dec. 16, 8 p.m., To Be Arranged, Handwork on Prints, (Lecture and Demonstration); Jan. 6, 8 p.m., H. Nocht Esq., Camera design, lenses and shutters, (Lecture and Demonstration); Jan. 20, 8 p.m., S. Simpson Esq., The Chemistry of Photography, (Lecture and Demonstration); Feb. 3, 8 p.m., Per Ilford Ltd., Night Photography, (Lantern Lecture); and Feb. 17, 8 p.m., A. E. Von Kobza-Nagy Esq., What an Exhibition Judge looks for in a Photograph, (Lecture).

The Sailors' and Soldiers' Camera Club and the St. John's Cathedral Photographic Society are at present working together on the arrangements for a Photographic Exhibition to be held in the Colony on February 24, 25 and 26 next.

An open class is to be included which will be available to all amateur photographers in the Colony and for which approximately ten prizes are to be allotted in the several sections comprising this class. Similar prizes will be awarded for a members class open to members of the two Clubs, and camera owners who are interested in photography as a hobby are invited to communicate with the Honorary Secretaries of either of these Clubs. Further details of the Exhibition will be published in due course.



W. C. Hung, above, first holder of the Colony Hardcourt Doubles Championship with Tsui Wai-pui, was seen in the exhibition lawn tennis series on Sunday afternoon at the C.R.C.



K.G.C. JUNIOR TITLE Qualifying Round Draw

The following is the draw for the Kowloon Golf Club Junior Championship, Qualifying Round, which will be played off at Kowloon City next Sunday:—

9.00 W. J. Cairns v R. M. Wheatcroft.
9.04 F. A. Hall v J. S. Smith.
9.08 E. W. Gardiner v J. R. Leitch.
9.12 C. W. Loveless v H. P. Billings.
9.16 F. E. Lawrence v T. Henderson.
9.20 W. Kershaw v J. R. Humble.
9.24 L. Jack v J. J. King.
9.28 W. Steker v W. Baskin.
9.32 B. Basto v G. C. Moss.
9.36 B. T. Monks v E. M. Hanlon.
9.40 E. H. Watts v F. H. Hammick.

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FEW STARS IN WELSH RUGBY BUT STANDARD IS HIGH

CLUB GAME THERE IS KEENER

DANGER OF UNDER-RATING PERFORMANCES

London, October 12

CAST a rule over Welsh Rugby players and measure them by international standards and what do we find? Regretfully one has to confess to a conglomeration with few towering above their fellows. But don't run away with the idea that Wales is not Rugby-minded and that her players are sadly lacking in ability. Those who think so may have a rude shock.

There are difficulties and there are handicaps, but till the international selectors reveal their judgments it is policy to withhold opinions. Club Rugby in Wales is keener and more even than in England, and for that reason there is danger in under-rating performances.

Work backwards from Cardiff's victory over previously unbeaten Gloucester to Newport's win over Cardiff and Pontypool's success over Newport. There is a pretty triangle which suggests strength in Welsh Rugby compared with English standards, for Gloucester is a fair example of English power.

Here is a tip: if there are two better centre three-quarters with Welsh qualifications than R. F. Allen, the Newport policeman, England, Scotland and Ireland will have something to contend with in the international tourney.

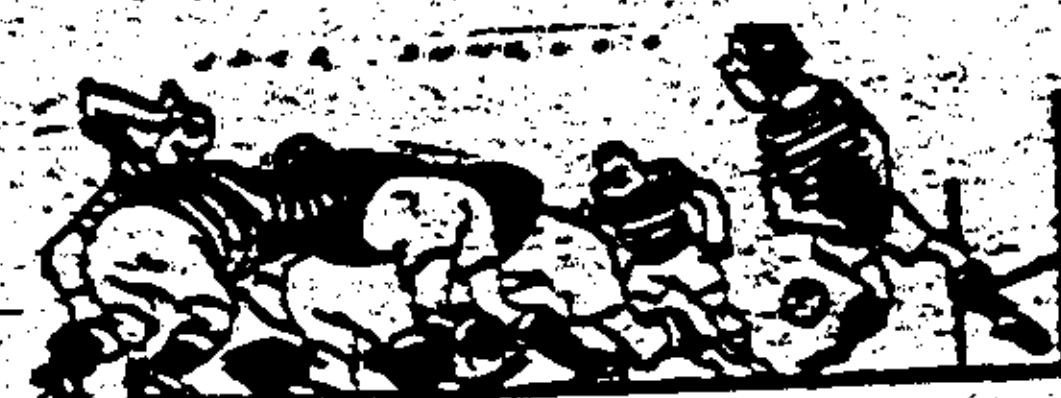
And I was informed in Cardiff at the week-end that at least one member of the Welsh selection committee thinks J. Adams, another Newport policeman, who flits from wing (his proper place) to centre three-quarter in emergencies, is the best centre he has seen this season.

TWO BIG PROBLEMS

Some critics may not agree with this view, especially when they think of the possibilities of H. O. Edwards (Cardiff), Glan James (Bridgend), G. Davies (Aberavon) and E. H. Ward and F. Rees (Llanelli), but it is an indication of Welsh faith in their own products.

Moreover, sight must not be lost of the early return of Wilfred Wooller, the old Cantab, shortly expected home from Palestine.

Two positions which will need careful attention are those of full back and forward. In the latter instance the trouble will be to get the right blend.



The pessimists are already bemoaning the absence of great forwards, but so often they forget the experience of Welsh packs against English forwards.

Welsh teams have not set the Thames on fire so far this season, but there certainly is no need at this stage to be despondent over Welsh prospects.

DULWICH TRAINER FOR INTERNATIONAL

A. W. Stollery, trainer of Dulwich Hamlet, the Isthmian League club, has been appointed by the Football Association to act as team-attendant to the England side. Stollery was trainer to the F. A. amateur team which recently toured Australasia.

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PROPOSALS AFOOT FOR CHANGES IN SOFTBALL RULES

Suggestions For Better And Faster Game

MEETING CALLED FOR TO-MORROW

(By "SHORTSTOP")

NOW that the first half of the softball League is almost over, critical comments on the game will not be amiss. Opinions by those who have recently arrived from America are that the local method of play is not the softball that is played in the States.

When the League was formed in Hong Kong, the majority of the Committee voted that the League should comply with Spalding's Official Rules and Regulations, with four exceptions: 35 instead of 45 feet between bases; 9 instead of 7 innings; 9 instead of 10 players; and a 14 inch ball instead of the 12 inch. All this, of course, is the old indoor baseball, which is seldom played nowadays.

That a greater distance between bases would mean a faster game can easily be seen, because the base runner must run an extra ten feet, and he is that much more likely to be put out before he reaches the next base.

The 12 inch ball is easier to handle and will travel much further when hit, while the pitcher could have more "English" on the ball if he were given that extra distance to toss to the batter.

It is easy to understand that a pitcher can't throw with any curves on the ball when he is only 30 feet away from the batter. A faster game may also be deduced from the fact that the tenth man, usually placed between first and second base, is an added help in retrieving infield hits in that direction. The 7-inning game will not detract from its present popularity.

REGULATION CHANGES

A change in these regulations could be effected at this stage of the League fixtures without unduly affecting the standing of the teams, as they will each have the same opportunity in the revised rules, if they are accepted.

The Canadian Chinese Club have a proposal afoot to change a long-time method of pennant winning. When the schedules were fixed at the beginning of the season, it was inadvertently stated by the President that the First Round was to be called the first "series."

There is, of course, no such thing as a series in Hong Kong, unless there were two or more Leagues connected with Softball.

NO PLAYOFF

Therefore, there would be no such thing as a play-off.

A play-off in a series means the winner of one League playing the winner of another, in which only these two teams take part in a series of seven games. I hardly think that this proposal will be accepted by the League. The team with the highest percentage at the conclusion of the season wins the pennant and the Mayo Trophy. The argument that interest will wane doesn't hold, as the teams at the bottom of the League standing at present will be fighting to keep away from the "cellar."

A meeting has been called for to-morrow, to discuss these sub-



KOWLOON G.C. CHAMPIONSHIP

The First Round of the Kowloon Golf Club Championship was completed last week end and resulted as follows:—

A. J. Dennis defeated R. K. Collings 1 up; W. C. Simpson defeated A. W. da Roza 4 and 3; F. E. A. Remedios defeated S. Jex 4 and 3; T. D. Paton defeated F. C. Barry 2 and 1; A. A. Lopes defeated E. O. Murphy 2 and 1; W. Taylor defeated C. G. Anderson 5 and 3; W. A. Stewart defeated J. D. Thomson 5 and 4; E. D. da Roza defeated W. M. Groves 3 and 2.

The Armistice Medal Pool over the period Nov. 14 was won by W. Bastin 85—16=69, runner up W. Taylor 76—4=72.

The following qualified for the Captain's Cup over the past week end:—E. F. Fincher 78—11=67, R. K. Stott 78—10=68.

C.R.C. NOT TO PLAY IN MIXED DOUBLES LEAGUE

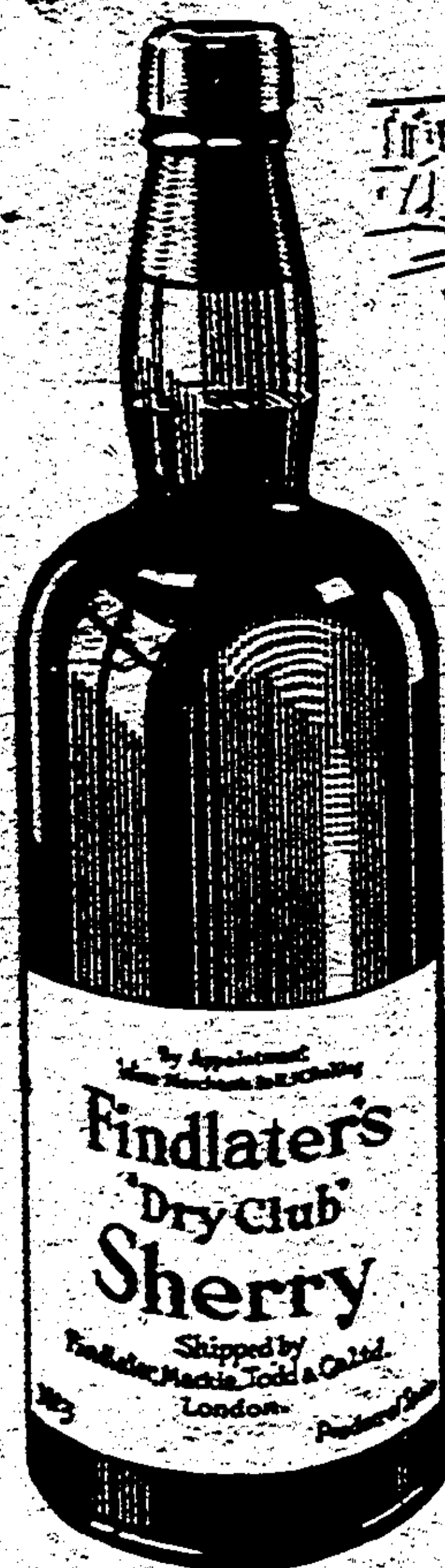
(By "ACE")

It is now learned that the Chinese Recreation Club will not be able to take over the fixtures of St. John's Club in the Mixed Doubles Badminton League.

They have managed to secure the services of only five players who consented to play regularly, and therefore are not in a position to follow out their plan.

jects and all managers or their deputies are urgently requested to be at the Cecil Hotel at 5.30 p.m. on that day.

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OPEN TENNIS PIONEERS GET "WOUND STRIPE"

London, October 13.

An open lawn tennis championship, the world's first, which, it is hoped, will lead to general recognition of such tournaments by amateur-bodies, will begin at the Greenbrier Club, White Sulphur Springs (West Virginia) to-day with an entry of nine amateurs and twenty-nine professionals, states a Reuter message.

Because it is a practical certainty that they will be disqualified by the United States Lawn Tennis Association, all the amateurs will re-

ceive a commemorative silver medal, complete with ribbon, or "wound stripe."

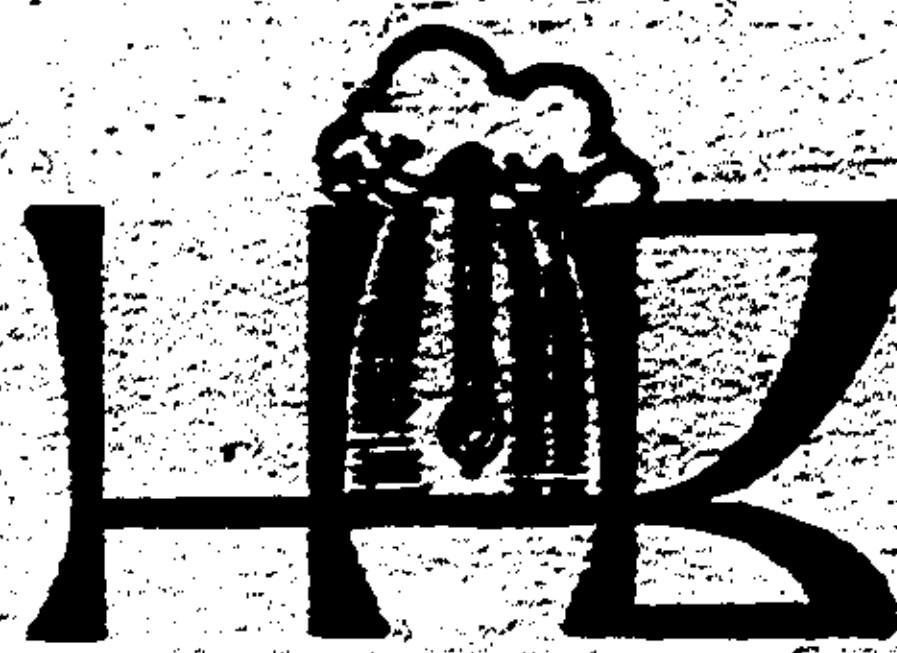
The club has resigned from the Association in order to stage the tournament, which it regards as a "noble experiment."

Mr. Holcombe Ward, president of the United States L.T.A., warned all amateurs that they would lose their status if they played against professionals. "The name of the tournament is a misnomer," he said, "because any amateurs would be disqualified without having to take action."

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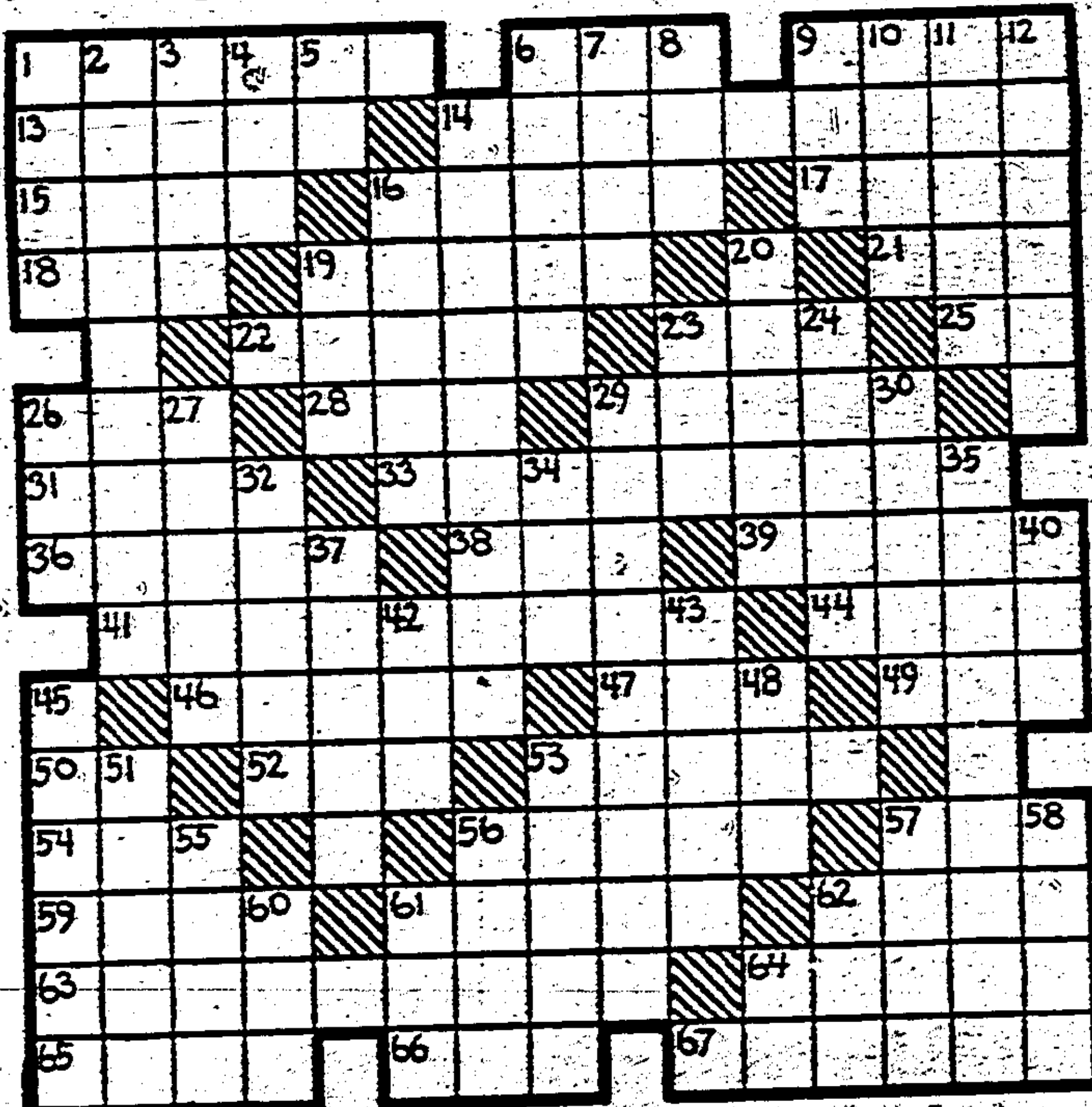
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



HORIZONTAL

- 1-Torment
- 6-Small inland island
- 9-Cripple
- 13-Choose
- 14-Renounces power
- 15-Otherwise
- 16-Slumber
- 17-Harbor
- 18-Perched
- 19-Thaws
- 21-A pastry
- 22-Ignites
- 23-EPOCH
- 25-Tellurium (abbr.)
- 26-Swiss river
- 28-Fifty-four
- 29-Slides
- 31-Agitate
- 33-To wink
- 36-Assumed an attitude
- 38-Atmosphere
- 39-Appearing as if gnawed
- 41-Lamented over
- 44-Pitch
- 46-Fried quickly with little grease
- 47-Part of verb "To be"
- 49-Steaks gently
- 50-Pronoun

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 52-A falsehood
- 53-Aroma
- 54-Organ of hearing
- 56-Rob
- 57-A wager
- 59-A continent
- 61-Fright
- 62-Tardy
- 63-News collectors
- 64-Sew loosely
- 65-Snow vehicle
- 65-Female sheep
- 57-Recover

VERTICAL

- 1-Part of the foot
- 2-Large reptile
- 3-Halt
- 4-High card
- 5-A highway (abbr.)
- 6-Assists
- 7-Roman date
- 8-End
- 9-Lick up
- 10-On the summit
- 11-To deserve
- 12-Consider
- 14-Alley

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 16-Greenish finch
- 19-A wire measure
- 20-Hackneyed
- 23-High priest (Bible)
- 24-Asunder
- 26-A serpent
- 27-Ascends
- 29-Flags
- 30-Bend over
- 32-Royal
- 34-Resident of a city (colloq.)
- 35-A short essay
- 37-Priest of ancient Gaul
- 40-Superlative suffix
- 42-Ats. (Obs.)
- 43-Fancy
- 45-Clipping instrument
- 48-House addition
- 51-Support for a picture
- 52-Gaze fixedly
- 55-Mature
- 56-Violently killed
- 57-Foundations
- 58-Around
- 60-Army Ordnance Department (abbr.)
- 61-Consumed
- 62-Youth
- 64-Exist

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue.

TROOPS HUNT OUT TERRORIST GANG IN PALESTINE

Jerusalem, To-day.

Three companies of British troops are searching the Safet hills for a band of Arab terrorists reported to have taken refuge there after bomb outrages in Jerusalem.

The R.A.F. is co-operating in the search, and is reported to have discovered the terrorists' hiding place, so that military occupation of the spot is imminent.—Trans-Ocean.

ARAB ATTITUDE

Cairo, To-day.

The Arab Defence Committee in Palestine, previously favourable to the partition plan, has now turned against it, according to the local press.

The papers allege that the Committee yesterday handed a note to the acting high Commissioner declaring the plan to be unacceptable.

The Arab Defence Committee had hitherto shown a readiness to compromise, and was negotiating with the Palestine Government.—Trans-Ocean.

Mrs. Duke, of No. 5 Garden Terrace, has reported the loss of a pair of glasses, valued at \$2 15s., yesterday in Pedder Street.

GUERILLAS HALT JAPANESE OFFENSIVE

(Continued from Page 1)

FOREIGNERS SAFE

Peiping, To-day.

The Japanese military authorities report that 37 foreigners, comprising 19 French, 14 Hungarians and four Americans, are safe at Tamingfu.

It is believed that the majority of them are missionaries.

The same authorities confirm the blowing up in North Shantung of the Yellow River railway bridge.

They state that they found 1,000 Chinese bodies left on the north bank of the river.

Many Chinese troops crossed the river by junks.

As far as is known, no Japanese attempt to cross the river has yet been made.—Reuter.

Military Governor Of Madrid

Madrid, To-day.

An announcement states that General Cardenal has been appointed Military Governor of Madrid, a post which is mainly of an administrative nature.

General Miaja retains his position as commander-in-chief of the Madrid garrison.—Trans-Ocean.

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One of the folks of the store saw the poster at 6 a.m. and the police were immediately informed. The public did not have a chance to see the poster.

SOVIET EYES ON FAR EAST

Moscow, To-day.

The Soviet Union is devoting increasing attention to the Far East, where its main political and military activities are now being concentrated.

Special importance is attached to endeavours to remove all possibilities of friction between political functionaries and officers of General Bluecher's Red Army in the Far East.—Trans-Ocean.

AMUR RIVER INCIDENT

Tokyo, 1 p.m. To-day.

The Soviet-Manchukuo dispute over the Amur River incident was closed to-day, by the return of the Manchukuo patrol boat seized and of the Russian gunboat which, sunk in the fighting, was later salvaged.—Our Own Correspondent.

Polish Drive Against "Reds"

Warsaw, To-day.

The Polish drive against the Communist Party continues, and on Monday 131 Communists were convicted in various parts of the country.—Trans-Ocean.

Five cases of dysentery, two of typhoid fever, one of diphtheria and one of measles were reported to the local Health Authorities in the 24 hours ended midnight on Tuesday.

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